Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Term 1

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you have all had a lovely summer. We have enjoyed welcoming the children back and seeing them start off the year so well — we are very proud of how well all of the children have begun their Year 6 learning journey and we are very much looking forward to sharing all of the wonderful learning experiences and activities that we have planned during the course of the year.

What is happening this term?

For whole school events please see the whole school dojo.

Residential Information Meeting = Tuesday 19th
September @5pm

Hotshots taster session = Thursday 21st September (Children to wear their PE kit please)

Year 6 Residential = Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th October

The Value that we are focusing on this term is:

Kindness

Key Learning

Subject and Topic	Overview	Key knowledge
English	Reading	 Vocabulary – Understanding the meaning of words within context. Predict – Predict what might happen from the details stated and implied. Explain – Identify/explain how information/narrative content is related and contributes to the meaning as a whole. Identify/explain how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases. Make comparisons within the text
	Writing *	Our text this term is: 'Star of fear, star of hope' by Jo Hoestlandt This term the children are working towards writing a narrative with a flashback from the point of view of another character.
	Spelling Phonics	Adding suffixes to root words. e.ging -ed -er -est -ible -able
	Grammar	 Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely. Use passive verbs. Link ideas across paragraphs using a wider range of cohesive devices. Integrate dialogue to convey characters and advance the action.
Mathematics	Place value	<u>Key knowledge</u>

Art	Street spirit – urban art	Key Knowledge To understand how location can affect the scale of a piece of artwork. Be able to explain how artists convey messages through their artwork.
		To know how to create a hyperlink within a word document. Key Knowledge Word processing, online safety, restore, screenshot, snipping tool, align, justified, indent, shortcut, wrap text, format
Computing	Processing	To know how to type symbols and save files. To know how to edit text. To know how to use a keyboard. To know how to select and format text and font. To know how to change the case of text. To know how to align text. To know how to use bullets and numbering. To know how to use the <ctrl> key. To know how to insert and format text boxes. To know how to format images for a purpose. To know how to use formatting tools to create and effective layout. To know how to use the spellcheck tool. To know how to insert and format a table in a word processing document. To know how to change a page layout for a purpose. To know how to create a hyperlink within a word document</ctrl>
Science Science Computing	Light Digital literacy: Word	Place value, Greater than, Less than, Order, Round, Rounded, Negative number, Partition, Digit, Interval, Sequence. Linear sequence Key Knowledge Can they identify light sources? Can they explain how light travels in straight lines? Can they understand that light travels fast? Can they explain that objects are seen because they give out (sources) light or reflect light into the eye? Can they use scientific diagrams to explain how humans see objects? Can they use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them? Key vocabulary Refraction, reflection, Light, spectrum, rainbow, colour, Eye, iris, pupil, optic nerve, lens, cornea, shadow Key Knowledge To know how to type on a keyboard.
Maths		Numbers to 1,000,000, Numbers to 10,000,000, Read and write numbers to 10,000,000, Powers of 10, Number line to 10,000,000, Compare and order any integers, Round any integer, Negative numbers Key vocabulary Ten million, Millions, Thousands, Hundreds, Tens, Ones, Zero,

		Key Vocabulary
		Line, shape, form, colour mixing, scale.
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Geography	Raw materials: Water	Key Knowledge To be able to explain the three states of matter—solid, liquid and gaseous state. To begin to explain how to change a solid into a liquid and describe how you turn a liquid into a gas. To explain the key aspects of the water cycle. To understand how clouds and rain are formed. To explain how and why drinking water is cleaned. To explain and discuss the causes and effects of flooding. To list and talk about different types of flooding. To discuss how flooding affects communities. To understand the causes and effects of water pollution. To explain why water is major necessity in any village, town or city? To consider how water is used to help provide energy to many places? Key Vocabulary water cycle, evaporation, transpiration, condensation, precipitation, solid, liquid, gas, runoff, droplet, vapor, sleet, snow, cloud, rain, rivers, ocean, sea, continents, hydrologic cycle, Earth, atmosphere
Music	Нарру	Key Knowledge Listen & Appraise: Happy is a song written, produced and performed by Pharrell Williams Happy is a Pop song that has a soul music sound and groove from the 1960s; very much like a Motown song. Key Vocabulary style indicators, melody, compose, improvise, cover, pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamics, timbre, texture, structure, dimensions of music, neo soul, producer, groove, Motown, hook, riff, solo
Personal Social Health and Relationship Education	Protective behaviours	Key Knowledge To know about the rights and responsibilities we have. Safe feelings and what it means by fun to be scared. Early warning signs. Safety networks and information sharing. Key Vocabulary Rights, responsibilities, safety, safety network, protective, early warning signs.
Physical Education	Co-ordination: Ball Skills Agility	Key Knowledge To continue to use the terminology taught in previous years. To explain how individuals need different types & levels of fitness to be more effective in their activity / role / event. To know how to warm up and cool down to avoid injury. To lead a small group through a physical task. To know that I will need different types of equipment to play different activities and to keep myself safe.

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		To know how to dress for different types of physical activities.
		To identify my own strengths and weaknesses and set myself
		appropriate targets for progression.
		To accept critical feedback and make changes.
		To know how to motivate myself and others to perform better.
Religious Education	Who was	<u>Key Knowledge</u>
	Buddha and	Who is Buddha and what did he learn? What were the 'four sights
		of suffering?' What difficult decisions did Buddha face and how
To take	what can we	can I relate to these? Why is the bodhi tree important? How does
	learn from him?	meditation feel? What does the festival of Wesak celebrate and
		how is the lotus flower important to Buddhists? What are the
		four noble truths and how do they affect the life of a Buddhist?
		How can following the 'middle way' end suffering? Why is the
		'noble eight-fold path' important to Buddhists? How would a
		Buddhist react?
		<u>Key Vocabulary</u>
		Bodhi Tree, Buddha, Buddhist, Calm, Decisions, Dukka,
		Enlightenment, Impermanent, Lotus flower, Middle way,
		Meditate, Noble Eight-fold path, Suffering, Wesak.
Spanish	Revisiting me /	Key Knowledge
À	Telling the time	To recall phrases to talk about myself and my feelings.
Holar		To give a simple description about myself.
	/ Everyday life	To remember and use numbers to 60.
		To understand 'o'clock' time phrases.
		To be able to talk about my daily routine in Spanish.
		To be able to answer questions about my daily routine in Spanish.