

Year 6

The Arrival



English

We will continue reading 'Street Child' in English. We will end the unit by writing a continuing chapter for the story in the voice of the author.

After 'Street Child' we will be focusing on the visual story called 'The Arrival,' which looks at the life of refugees and immigration. Year 6 pupils will complete two pieces of writing for this unit: a letter and a biography.

They will:

- Learn to write formally.
- Use different types of figurative language.
- Empathise with a character.
- Use a wide range of punctuation
- Perfect their editing skills.
- Have a wider understanding of the world around them and use their knowledge in their writing.
- To understand why and who they are waiting for.

Maths

This term, Year 6 children will be focused on revision for SATS.

Your child has been taught all the areas of maths for Year 6 so now is the time to revise their knowledge in these areas so they can begin mastering them.

They will be cementing their arithmetic and number knowledge through different activities in class

The students will then use this arithmetic knowledge to help them with more complicated reasoning problems.

They will:

- Practice the different methods for working out.
- Walk through the procedures to answer multi-step reasoning problems.
- Improve their problem solving skills.
- Focus on test style questions, transferring fluency skills and using a range of strategies.

Reading

Year 6 will be continuing with their guided reading session and start more intensive reading lessons to prepare them for SATS.

Students will be reading different types of texts and answering different types of questions that will be found in the SATS papers.

They will:

- Increase their reading speed.
- Identify useful information in the text.
- Infer what the text is trying to tell them.
- Use their own knowledge of the world to help answer questions.
- Make logical predictions.
- Explain the meaning of different words.
- Identify key words to support their answer in the text.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Ensure your child is reading every night.
- Give them access to a wide range of texts.

Reminders for Year 6

- Parents must sign diaries every week.
- Homework must be completed and handed in on time. If your child is having difficulties, they must ask their teacher for help BEFORE the due date.
- Correct uniform must be worn. Black ankle boots are not part of the uniform.
- All students are expected to participate in PE every week unless they have a medical reason explained by a parent.
- Students are expected to be in class by 8:55 and lessons will start exactly at 9:00.
- Enjoy learning and understand how it will benefit their future.

Value of the Term for Year 6

Independence

History

This term, Year 6 will continue their focus on 'The Victorians.'

This is a very complicated topic that covers many areas and we want the students to be well versed in how important that time period was to shaping our society today.

Through their study of this topic they will also learn about how blessed they are as children living in modern times compared to children in the Victorian era.

Computing

In computing lessons, there will continue to be a emphasis on e-safety (especially in regards to social media).

This term we will also be focusing on spreadsheets. Students will be using Purple Mash to learn how to use spreadsheets.

They will:

- Learn to create calculation.
- Layout of spreadsheets.
- Different representations of the information .

P.E.

We will be continuing our focus on hockey and tag rugby.

This term Year 6 children will learn to:

- Be able to hold the hockey stick correctly.
- Be able to hold catch and throw a rugby ball correctly.
- Be able to dribble (travel) with the ball correctly at different speeds and in different directions.
- Be able to pass with different techniques of passing accurately.
- Use communication skills with peers.
- Use special awareness.
- Be able to shoot correctly with power and accuracy.
- Be able to score a try using the correct handling technique.

They will bring together these skill to play more organised games of hockey and small sided tag rugby so they can also learn how to work as a team.

Science

In Science, Year 6 will be continuing our learning journey about light.

We will be learning the basic foundation knowledge regarding light and then we will be using that knowledge to write-up and administer scientific experiments.

They will:

- Using results from tests on shadows to make predictions and plan scientific enquiries.
- Investigating how and when light reflects using fair tests while recognising and controlling variables where necessary.
- Choosing how and when to record results of increasing complexity using a range of techniques including scientific diagrams and labels, tables and graphs.

PSHCE

Our topic this term is about 'You and Me'.

During this topic children will:

- Learn about the diverse cultural heritage that contributes to London and the wider world.
- Understand how injustice and inequality can affect people's lives around the world.
- Learn that similarities and difference in people arise from a number of factors.
- Discuss and explore how cultural, racial, ethnic, religious and gender differences impact our lives.

Music

Year 6 students will get a chance to really focus on music this term. We are going to be studying and learning to sing the song 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams.

They will:

- Analyse the meaning of the song and their own feelings when hearing it.
- Learn about music genres.
- Discover the different musical instruments that make the music.
- Learn how to sing the song to a high standard.