



Year 6 Autumn Term

English

For the first few weeks of the Autumn term, year 6 will be focusing on refining their grammar skills which will then be applied to independent writing.

The children will focus on Oliver Twist- a classic tale from our literary heritage- and will use this as a stimulus to write in two separate genres: a diary entry and a formal persuasive letter.

They will end the term with a festive finale by using dialogue to narrate a piece of visual literacy.

Year 6 are reading...



Children will continue to read regularly in our reading practice sessions. They will be reading a wide variety of texts and developing their fluency, pace and stamina. They will also continue to develop their inference and deduction skills.

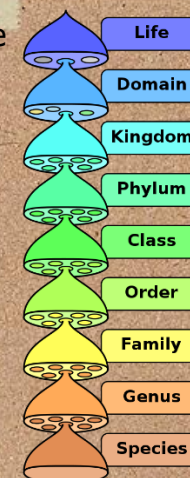
Our author focus this term is B.B. Alston.

Maths

In maths, children will focus on place value, the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and how they can be used in solving mental and written problems. There will be a much greater focus on problem solving and reasoning skills which require the children to apply their mathematical knowledge to puzzles and real-life problems. As always, we will continue to focus on the children's times tables knowledge and speed.

Science

As scientists, the children will be studying "Living Things and Their Habitats" where they will be using the school locality to identify and classify living things. The children will be developing classification keys and testing them out, looking for potential flaws. They will also be designing a new creature that fits into a particular classification system.



Art

Pupils will explore art by investigating a range of imagery and making comparisons between different styles of art. They will generate symbols that reflect likes and dislikes. They will also understand and apply chiaroscuro to create light and form through tonal drawing. They will use techniques for effect and understand the impact they have on a piece of art.

Homework

- Homework will be set every **Tuesday** and must be completed by the following **Monday**.
- Please listen to your child read 3x per week and return their reading folder on a Wednesday to be changed.**

History

In History, children will continue to learn about the impact of World War 2 on the people of Britain.

In this unit, the children will learn about significant events that caused World War 2 and some of the key events during this time. Artefacts will be shared with the children in order for them to experience how historians ask and answer questions about the past. Additionally, children will hear from a range of people who lived during World War 2.



DT

In DT, children will be challenged to create an all-in-one, multifunctional, electronic tool that combines multiple outdoor items such as a pedometer, compass and GPS tracker. Children will learn to develop a design criteria to fulfil a client's request and then develop their ideas through annotated sketches. Children will use coding to program a cardinal compass and they will be able to explain key functions.

Music

As musicians they will be looking at film music. Pupils will appraise different musical features in a variety of film contexts. They will identify and understand some composing techniques in film music and use graphic scores to interpret different emotions in film music. They will be creating and notating musical ideas and relating them to film music as well as playing a sequence of musical ideas to convey emotion.



PSHE & RE

In RE, they will explore living by rules; being fair and just; creating unity and harmony; and creating inclusion, identity and belonging. They will explore how these values are portrayed through different religious traditions and by those with non-religious views. In PSHE, pupils will be looking at relationships, working together and assertiveness skills.

Computing

During this term, alongside regular E-Safety lessons, pupils will find out about our school network and how internet use has changed and developed. They will then discover how computers use binary and how they can communicate using this. During the second half term, they will understand how to write blogs and create blog entries for each other to respond to within Purple Mash.



PE

PE days for year 6 will be on a **Wednesday** and a **Friday**. On Wednesdays, Year 6 will be provided by Aston Villa and will focus on team games and the rules that are necessary to compete fairly with one another. By the end of the unit, they will create their own team games by establishing a set of rules to follow and the main goal that is needed in order to win.

Fridays, will see the children learning indoors and refining and combining their gymnastic skills to create a polished routine. Please ensure that all children come into school wearing the correct PE kit on these days.

