

Curriculum Information

Year 6 Autumn Term 2 2024

Subject	What are we learning?	How you can help at home
English	In Reading, we will study a range of cross-curricular extracts. Children will look at a range of reading skills including summarising, retrieving information and analysing language choices. In Writing, children will learn how to inform their readers by analysing the features of information texts. They will apply this by creating a non-chronological report about the Tudors.	Reading Please hear your child read at home at least five times a week. Ask questions which encourage your child to draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, emotions and actions and find evidence that demonstrates these. Please help your child to read every night and record on the GoRead App (https://boomhub.app/). Encourage your child to complete book reviews once they've finished their book. Suitable novel suggestions available at: https://www.booksfortopics.com/wp-content/uploads/Year-6-Recommended-Reads-Poster-2024.pdf
	Then, children will write to entertain by crafting their own poetry in the style of Robert Macfarlane's The Lost Words. English homework is issued every week on Purple Mash. English issued/due back on a Friday.	Spelling Please help your child practise their spellings several times a week. Spelling lists will be uploaded onto the Year 6 page on Sharepoint each Thursday . These spellings will be tested the following Wednesday . Regular practice at home makes such a difference. Online Learning Please encourage your child to explore Oxford Reading Buddy, Purple Mash and Education City throughout the week too.
Maths	This term we will be using short division and changing remainders to decimals and using short division to calculate decimal and fraction equivalences. We will continue to establish the relationships between percentages, decimals and fractions where children will calculate percentages of numbers and what this means in everyday life. We will be finding the area	Encourage your child to cook or bake with you and allow them to measure out ingredients using appropriate scales. Online learning Check these websites to practise and consolidate maths learning at home. https://www.timestables.co.uk/



	and perimeter of shapes as well as reading and plotting co-ordinates in four quadrants. Throughout, children will strengthen their arithmetic skills so that they have a strong foundation for problem solving questions. Maths homework is issued every week on MyMaths. Maths is issued/due back on a Friday.	https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ https://www.mymaths.co.uk/ https://www.educationcity.com/ Times tables Quick recall of their times tables will help children in every area of Maths. Their calculation speed will also help them finish the paper during their SATs testing. Children should be using Times Table Rockstar several times a week to embed their times table knowledge and improve their speed. https://ttrockstars.com/
Science	In Science we will be learning about electricity. Building on their work in Year 4, pupils will construct simple series circuits, to help them to answer questions about what happens when they try different components, for example, switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors. They will learn how to represent a simple circuit in a diagram using recognised symbols.	Encourage your child to identify appliances which are battery and mains powered. Check out these useful links: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zj44jxs https://go.educationcity.com//content/index/22328/8/3/6NULL/NULL/false/wb Discuss with children how to stay safe around electricity.
History	During 'Off With Her Head', children will go back in time to study the Tudors. They will learn about the six wives and their fates.	Discuss the following question with your child: was Anne Boleyn a villain or victim? Online learning: http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Tudors.html https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwcsp4j/articles/zmst6g8
Geography	Not taught this half term.	
Art & Design	The children will continue to explore abstract artwork where they will look at abstract artists and how they create their work, the meaning behind the work and attempt to create their own piece in the appropriate style.	Visit a local art gallery with your child. - Walsall Art Gallery - Wolverhampton Art Gallery



Design	Not taught this half term.	
Technology Computing	During Computing, children will plan and design a blog and use this to inform and entertain their readers.	Explore this website with your child. https://www.purplemash.com/#tab/home/computing You will require your Purple Mash password.
PE	Children will be taught key skills of resilience and perseverance through team games of dodgeball. They will be developing their throwing and catching skills, attacking and defending skills and the knowledge of how to make tactical decisions. They will also be encouraged to develop sportsmanship.	Please make sure your child has full P.E kit. • Long hair should be tied back. For safety reasons, NO earrings or jewellery is allowed.
	PE days – Tuesday (indoor PE) and Friday (outdoor games, weather permitting).	
Swimming	Children will further develop stroke techniques, front-crawl, backcrawl, breaststroke and butterfly. Stamina will be improved by swimming in circuits. Pull buoys and kickboards will aid technique. Head and feet first sculling, underwater swimming, push and glides, various floating positions will all be further developed. Relay races will also take place. Before the Christmas break, children will play a game of mini water polo, this will allow children to work within a team and show good sportsmanship.	Please remember all children will need a named swimming costume/trunks, swimming hat and towel please. Swimming Day - Wednesday For safety reasons, NO earrings or jewellery is allowed
RE	Children will explore key leaders with a focus on leaders of the Sikh and Hindu religions: Guru Nanak and Mahatma Gandhi. They will consider the characteristics of a key leader and how they can inspire us in our own lives.	Ask your child what they have learnt about key leaders. Encourage them to discuss who inspires them and why.



PSHE	We will be exploring our topic of 'Getting on and falling out.' Children will be discussing what a good friend is. Children will learn how to understand and deal with the feeling of anger. They will discuss how to deal with conflict with friends and how to overcome disagreements.	Encourage your child to show respect at home. Talk to them about the discussions they have had in class and in assemblies, and what they have learnt about the current national and global issues.
Music	We will be using the Charanga Unit: Dancing in the Street to develop the skills of listening and appraising music, being able to sing a song and to work together in an ensemble. The children will experience and learn how to apply key music concepts/elements and to recognise the style of the music and its main style indicators. We will look at singing in two parts, lead and backing vocals, and singing together in two groups.	Encourage your child to listen to and discuss a variety of musical styles and genres.
German	The children will be practising how to say their birthday and listen to their peers' birthdays and be able to understand what is being said. They will be reading and responding to a story based on birthdays. Children will learn how to say individual pieces of clothing and describe the items of clothing.	Ask your child to practise their German vocabulary about birthdays and clothing at home. Please visit Linguascope to learn how to say different words in German: https://www.linguascope.com/preview/
Visits and visitors	6 th November - Online Safety Workshop Date TBC - Bikeability 19 th November - Individual photographs 20 th November - Sibling photographs 21 st November - Flu vaccination catch up session 25 th November - Year 6 puberty sessions 6 th December - Christmas Fayre (5:00-7:00) 18 th December - Christmas Dinner Day KS2	



Curriculum	16th December - To apply their learning in Science	
Days	and Design and Technology, children will be creating	
	their own electrical board games on a topic of their	
	choice.	