

Curriculum Newsletter

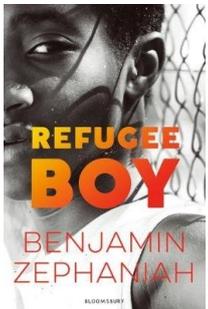
Year 6 Term 4 2020/21

Hello!

The children have settled back into their learning beautifully. There has already been so many learning moments and opportunities for Year 6 to be proud of and the rest of this term will be no exception!

Readers and Writers

Our writing this term will be based on Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah. Pupils will be learning to write narratives based on the story.



This will give pupils an opportunity to build their knowledge of cohesive devices and passive voice and how it can be used effectively. They will also revise noun phrases.

In reading this term, we will begin to look at the various types of questions we are asked to check our reading comprehension test. Pupils will consolidate their ability to answer a range of retrieval questions as well as a range of other question types. Pupils will continue to expand their vocabulary too.

It is expected that pupils in year 6 read for 30 minutes at home, every day: this will help their reading stamina and give them opportunities to relax with a book too.

Mathematicians



In maths this term, Year 6 will be learning about geometry, specifically shapes and their properties.

Children will be learning to name shapes and recognise regular and irregular shapes based on their properties.

Want to find out more. Head to this BBC website which has a 10-minute video with lots of helpful information your child will learn.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/maths-ks2-geometry-rules-angles-and-shapes/z49ygwx>

Art



We are artists this term and will be designing our own batik style art. We will look at various batik and wax prints from around the world before designing and making our own.



For this term, we have a professional sports coach from Bristol Sports Foundation teaching PE to our class. This term, the focus sport will be cricket. The children will have PE every Thursday.



Pupils will be assessed through-out the term to identify their individual spelling needs. These assessments will give your child an individualised list of spellings that they will then need to learn at home.

Pupils will be retested on their spellings so it is important that you support them with their homework.

Each week, the new spellings will be posted on ClassDojo. Your child will have specific words from the spelling list they must learn.



For homework, children have their weekly spelling list as outlined above. They will be set Mathematics activities for them to access online at **mathletics.com**

We have a new library which the children will use fortnightly. We know that for children to do their best learning, they need to read at home every day. In Year 6, children are expected to read for 30 minutes every day. Your child is then expected to write in their reading log daily. Parents must sign the reading logs each day too. These logs will be checked every Friday.

Parents will be informed if their child is not completing their homework tasks.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Etherington