

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Term 5 2020/21

Hello!

It is great to be back and learning all together from the start of the term. We will be working hard over the last two terms to make sure we are ready for secondary school.

It is a very exciting and nervous time as we begin to say hello and wave goodbye.

A big thank you to the PTFA for providing every child in Year 6 with a set of revision guides. These will really support every child to reach their academic goals!

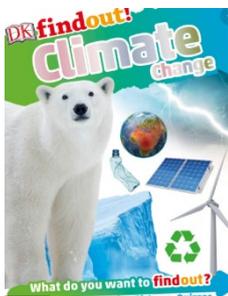
Transition Workshop: Tuesday 8th June (Term 6)

As part of secondary transition, PCSO Hayley Bickford will be carrying out a workshop which will help Year 6 prepare for secondary school.

Readers, Writers and Geographers

Year 6 will be geographers in their reading and writing topics this term. They will learn about climate change and think about how they can persuade others to take part in saving the planet.

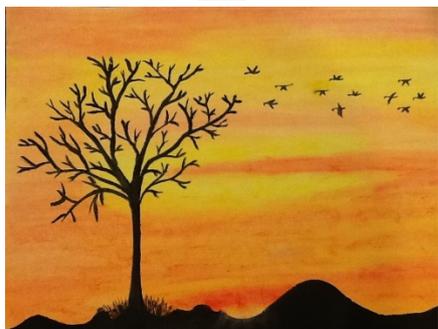
Children will learn about Greta Thunberg's story through the fictional retelling, *Greta and the Giants*.



As a class, they will also read non-fiction texts to help build their knowledge about natural and human related climate change. A great book to help build knowledge about climate change in DK Find Out Climate Change. It is a great book writing for young people and it explains the topic really well. There are quizzes and games to help your child learn.

In our reading lessons, children will be building their vocabulary as well as looking at facts, opinions and bias.

Art



Later in the term, the children in Year 6 will look at how colour is used in painting.

We will begin by looking at the colour wheel and how to create tones, tints and shade. We will also investigate how colours can be linked to moods.

Kindness in the Classroom

This term, children will be focusing on **responsibility** in our Kindness in the Classroom learning. They will discuss what it means to be responsible to and consider what we are responsible for.

Outside of these lessons, children will watch out for responsible acts and share these moments with the class.

Ask your child at home what responsibility means to them and what they think they are responsible for at home.

Mathematicians

In maths this term, Year 6 will be learning about measure while revising addition, subtraction, multiplication and measure.



If you want to help your child get a head start this

term, check out www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button



It is a great game to help with some basic maths skills and get quicker with recalling facts.

BBC bitesize has lots of games to help with learning about measure.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zcpnb9q>

PE

For this term, we will have PE lessons on Wednesday. We will be focussing on athletics and setting personal goals and appropriate targets.



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.



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**. 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.

Year 6 now have brand new revision guides. Each week, your child will be expected to complete pages from these guides every week.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Etherington