

Spanish

The children will continue to describe things and people and begin to express likes and dislikes. The lesson content will encompass describing activities, places in town, weather, sport, instruments and things countries are famous for.

Well done for a very good first half term in Year 6. The children have quickly learnt the routines and are coping very well with having different staff teaching different subjects

- great practise for secondary school.

Another busy half term coming up - remember to ask if you are not sure of anything!

Science

Electricity will be our new topic. We will investigate: simple circuits with switches; which materials make the best conductors and how components work in series and parallel circuits. This will involve lots of practical work investigating: how electricity travels through different circuits and what effects this. We will create circuits and practise drawing them using the correct representations for circuits in diagrams using symbols.

English

Our first text will be 'Lift' - a story about a magical elevator. This will be a whole school text so siblings in different classes will be working on the same book. Spellings will continued to be tested each week and the children need to have their reading records signed at least 3 times a week which will be checked on a Friday. We will continue to teach SPaG separately and then make use of the learning in all our writing sessions.

Art

Year 6 will be working with Mrs Waring (our art subject leader) for their weekly lessons carrying on looking at Henry Moore. Skills include drawing 3D forms, showing light from different directions and drawing using wax and ink.

PE

We will be continuing our basketball and hockey for a couple of weeks and then move to gymnastics and dance. Sometimes our lessons change dates so please make sure you have your PE kit in school all week.

Maths

- Daily lessons including one main session and one or two short fluency sessions.
- The children will be encouraged and taught to explain their decisions, methods and results in different ways using mathematical language and number sentences
- We will begin by identifying, adding and subtraction fractions and move onto multiplying and dividing them including finding fractions of amounts.

Geography & RE

The topic in Geography we will be continuing our topic of Extreme Earth. We will be focusing on hurricanes, tornadoes, and flooding and considering the damage they cause as well as how safety measures for extreme events have developed. In RE we will be studying role of the Dalai Lama, as a religious leader in Buddhism as well as exploring the idea of a sacred and secular Christmas.

Computing

Our topic for the half term is variables in games. We will be looking at variables and using them to create our own project and apply this to improve games in Scratch.

PSHE

We will continue using the second Jigsaw of study - celebrating differences. This will include celebrating differences, working and playing together and bullying.

We will also be starting our work on Zones of Regulation. This will allow children to identify their own emotions and have strategies to move from one to another.

Yr. 6 SATs take place in the week beginning Monday 8th May 2023.

More information will be shared with parents and children as the year goes on.

School journey to the Isle of Wight has been booked for the week beginning Monday 15th May 2023. Please remember to send back the slip stating whether your child would like to attend or not. If for any reason a child does not go they are expected to be in school for the week, working in Year 5.

Reading at home

The children are expected to read regularly at home and a comment should be added to the reading record which will be checked by Mrs Quinn on a Friday. PLEASE continue with the reading practise at home as it is so important in all aspects of the curriculum.

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History / DT

WE will continue our WW2 work focussing on rationing and the effect it had on families.

The children will design and make their own Anderson shelter using a range of DT skills.

Year 6 will be set homework - they will have weekly spellings words and reading tasks. There may be additional tasks that could be any subject e.g. a history task / a science investigation / research into a geography topic etc. Some of this work will be set on Google classroom and some will be paper based. Please ask if you are unsure of your account details etc.