

Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn 2 2018 (Mr McMahan)

We hope you are ready for second half of this term and the exciting run up to Christmas! We have been working extremely hard in Year 6 and I look forward to this continuing as we push our learning on even further.

Topics

Mathematics – After focusing heavily on number and place value last half term, we will now be given the opportunity to apply these skills in a variety of different ways. We will be starting by looking at addition and subtraction (including multi-step word problems). We will then move on to multiplication and division (including long multiplication and long division). We will finish this half term by studying and learning all about fractions.

Literacy – Writing work will still be based on the famous novel, 'The Devil and his Boy' by Anthony Horowitz. This half term, we will be doing some very creative writing. We will be creating our very own short story based on key events within the book; we will be writing a persuasive piece, that aims to encourage people to come watch our play; and we will be creating our very own play script based on the Devil and his Boy.
Spelling & grammar work will remain a big focus.

Science – Forces

Topic (History) -The Tudors

Computing – Multimedia – Using SMART

PE – Gym & Games

French – linked with Christmas

D&T – What makes your toy move?

Music – Exploring Rounds

PSHE – Getting on and falling out (SEALS)

Important Information

Booster classes will be up and running from Monday 12th November 2018 (3:30PM - 4:30PM). We encourage all children to attend as it will all be focused on SATs practice and SATs preparation.

Water Bottle – Please send in a labelled water bottle for your child to use in school. (Learning is thirsty work!)

PE Kit – Please make sure your child has a labelled PE kit in school for their PE lessons. This should include: shorts, T-shirt, jogging bottoms, sweatshirt and pumps/trainers. P.E will be on a Monday and a Friday afternoon.

Jewellery – For health & safety reasons, children may ONLY wear stud earrings and a watch.

Bag/Book Bag – Please make sure your child has a bag and brings it to school every day. Children need their bag to bring a book to & from school each day, for their maths passport tests/information, for their homework and for all letters/correspondence between yourself & school.

Toys/Games – Please can you ensure that your child DOES NOT bring toys/games to school, as they are easily lost or broken, and often cause arguments which disrupt lessons & learning – this includes ALL fidget toys.

Homework Details

Revision packs will be sent out over the Christmas break. These will include questions (and answers) from previous SATs papers
We ask that you support your child in completing all the materials sent home.

Rainbow Passports: These are tested each Monday and results are sent home as soon as possible. Please help your child to practise their facts at home, so they can recall basic number facts quickly & accurately.

Times Tables: These are tested each week. Please help your child to learn ALL their times tables. We will be continuing to push Times Table Rockstars across the whole school by having a celebration every week in achievement assembly. All children can access this from home by using the first letter of their first name and their full last name (*this applies to Y6*). Their password is 'apple'.

Spellings: We are continuing to work hard on spellings and teaching each spelling pattern thoroughly. We ask that you continue to focus on the spelling lists from Year 3/4 and 5/6 (*these are available from myself*).

Reading: All children have access to both levelled & free reader books in school, and have the opportunity to change these as required. Please ensure that your child reads as often as possible at home, and sign their reading record to show who has heard them read. (This could be anyone!)

Mathematics/Literacy Tasks: Both tasks will be related to work completed in class. They will be handed out on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday at the latest.

Termly Project: This term's project is linked to The Tudors. *See separate sheet for more details*