

## Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

### Autumn term (2) 2025

Please find information listed about the curriculum which will be taught throughout this half term.

Subject	Topic this half term	Additional notes
English	<p><b>Reading</b> This half term we will be continuing the new, 'Pathways to Reading' scheme, where the children will spend 30 minutes a day on reading skills. The book we are using is titled, 'The Place for me' by Floella Benjamin. The children will also continue to use computer programmes called Learning by Questions and Sat's Companion to further develop comprehension skills.</p> <p><b>Writing</b> Our English topics this half are, an adventure story, a piece of descriptive writing and a diary entry based on a visit to an attic and a biography.</p> <p>We will be building on the skills taught in previous years, as well as applying these to more detailed pieces of writing.</p> <p><b>Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (S.P.A.G)</b> We will be revising elements taught from Y3, Y4 and Y5 during this half term.</p>	<p><b>Reading</b> Reading is so important throughout school and we ask you to read <b>3 times a week for 20 minutes</b>. Please make a note in their reading record to show your child has read 3 times. Reading records are checked on a Thursday</p> <p><b>Spellings</b> Spelling sheets are given out each Thursday and the completed sheets are to be returned by the following Thursday. There will be a spelling test on that day. <b>Scores will be added to homework books which should be returned to school on a Thursday.</b></p> <p><b>Visit to Octagon Theatre to see Christmas Carol</b></p>
Maths	This half our focus is fractions, decimals, percentages, measures and a revision of shape. We mainly follow the White Rose Scheme for Maths but also use a number of computer programmes to aid our learning. The main one we use is Learning by Questions.	<p><b>Maths at home</b> All children will soon be given a log in for the 'Sat's Companion Website.' This is a great resource to support our maths learning. Homework is set weekly and there are videos available with the homework to aid the learning.</p>
R.E	Our focus this half term is ' <b>Why do Christians believe that Jesus was the Messiah?</b> ' Vocabulary is based on the New Testament noting the beliefs that Christians hold about Jesus.	Remembrance Day and The Carol Service will be our 2 visits to St Andrew's Church this term.
Computing	In computing we will be looking at Micro-bit coding and playing games such as 'Love Metre.' Vocabulary used will include such terms as : loop, conditional variables, input and output	
Science	The topic studied this half term will be 'Light.' The children will recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines and explain that we see things because light travels from light sources.	
PSHE	This half term our focus is – <b>Recognising and celebrating difference.</b> We will be discussing prejudice-based bullying and how this can be combatted.	
History	This half term our focus is <b>History</b> , and we will be looking at <b>Victorian England and the early 1900's</b> This will be through an exciting project based on	Pretoria Pit project based on input from Westhoughton History Society.

	The Pretoria Pit disaster of 1912	
<b>Technology</b>	Our topic this half term will be Digital World. The children will look at how to design and develop a product	
<b>P.E.</b>	In PE, we will be working on <b>Basketball</b> and <b>Dance</b> . We will be learning about moving in different ways and developing our skills of Indian Dance. In Basketball we will learn the different skills of passing , dribbling and shooting.	PE days are <b>Tuesdays</b> and <b>Thursdays</b> . Please send your child in their PE uniform on those days. Pumps should be left in school for indoor activities.
<b>Music</b>	We are supported to by the Alpha Music Team who will be helping us to teach the skills of pitch and pulse. Each week the children will also take part in our Prayer and Praise session.	Y6 will be singing Carols in early December for a Stroke Charity.
<b>French</b>	Y6 will continue learning French through the topic 'Animaux.' The children will be describing pets, colour and size and how word order changes using description.	

#### Other Useful Information

##### Equipment

Just a reminder about equipment. Children may bring to school:

- A small bag and packed lunch box.
- Stationery will be provided but children can bring a small pencil case.
- A small, named bottle of plain water **every day please.**

Please note jewellery including **earrings of any type** are not allowed in school. All hair accessories should be in school blue.

**Please label all items** clearly with your child's name, especially cardigans and jumpers!

##### **A note for children and parents from Mr Glynn**

Welcome back and I hope you have had a brilliant summer. Y6 is a very important year as the children transition to Y7. It will be a year of fun as well as hard work

We want all the children to feel safe, happy and respected, so please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything we can help you with.

Kind regards

Mr Glynn