



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Maths

This term, we will cover the units of Place Value, Addition & Subtraction, Fractions and Converting Units of Measure. Each day we will develop our arithmetic skills during 'Daily 10' and 'Fluent in Five' activities. Our daily fluency sessions are designed to develop automaticity with multiplicative facts.



English

We will work on a range of genres this term, including a persuasive letter, a diary entry, a setting & character description, a narrative, and we'll finish with the 5 Writes of Christmas. Our inspiration will come from two books: The Boy at the Back of the Class and The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe. In addition to our writing lessons, we will also have discrete sessions for handwriting and spelling practice.



Science

In Science, we will be looking at Living Things & Their Habitats: Classification and Animal Including Humans: The Circulatory System. We will develop both our scientific knowledge and enquiry skills.





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PE

During Autumn Term 1, we will start the school year with health-related fitness sessions and team-building activities. In the second half of the term, we will be doing gymnastics and volleyball.

PE will be on Mondays and Thursdays each week.

Please ensure the correct PE kit is in school on these days.



RE

This term, we will be thinking about how our community in Sandwell can be a more respectful place and how Christians decide to live - what would Jesus do? Our sessions celebrate the diversity of faiths and are filled with rich, thoughtful discussions.



PSHE & RSE

During the Autumn Term, our children will cover two units: Being Me in My World and Celebrating Differences. In these sessions, we learn to discuss our thoughts, feelings and emotions and think about empathy, understanding and acceptance.





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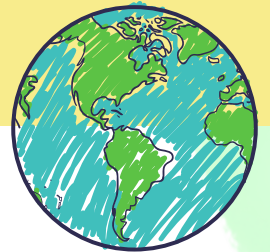
History

In History, we will be learning about Ancient Egypt. We will take part in a full-day workshop where we will dress up, create reed art, solve hieroglyphic puzzles, practice archery and hunting skills and discover exactly what was involved in the process of mummification!



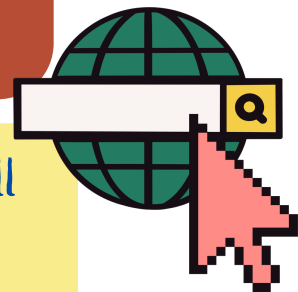
Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about where our energy comes from. We will think about renewable & non-renewable energy sources, considering the impact our usage has on the planet.



Computing

During the Autumn Term, we will be learning about computing systems and networks, studying Bletchley Park (fun with ciphers) and the history of computers. We will finish the term by exploring AI, considering its pros and cons.





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Art

Our Art will be linked to our Egyptian history theme. We will create mixed media figurative Egyptian portraits, and consider how the hieratic scale differed from the perspective used in Western art today.



Music

In Music, we will learn to recognise and create major, minor, augmented and diminished chords, considering how they affect the emotion and 'colour' of musical pieces. We will learn to play triads and develop our performance skills. We will also work on our Carol Concert repertoire.



Design & Technology

In D&T, children will research, design and create their own playground structures, following a specified design brief. We'll be requesting lots of junk modelling resources to be sent in during the second half of term!





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Additional Information



What can you do at home to help?

Homework - Please help your child complete their weekly writing task or [maths.co.uk](https://www.maths.co.uk) activity.

Practise weekly spellings and handwriting (focusing on correct formation and size).

Ensure your child is reading at least 3 times a week and ensure they record this in their reading records. To help them further, you could ask them questions about what they are reading.

Ancient Egyptian Workshop
Thursday, 15th October

This incredible workshop will replace an Autumn trip in order to support families with rising living costs. We kindly ask for a £7 donation towards the cost of this experience.

