

English:

This term we will complete two narrative units based on the short film 'Paperman' and the book 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan. We will also complete a range of non-fiction units, linked to our narratives but we will also focus on the structure of report writing using the book - 'Everest' by Sangma Francis and Lisk Feng as a stimulus. Throughout their writing, children are expected to use the spelling, grammar and punctuation outlined in the Year 6 National Curriculum taught explicitly through our approach to the teaching of writing. Whole class reading lessons occur daily, this term we will use 'The Infinite lives of Maisie Day' by Christopher Edge and 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans.

Maths:

Year 6 will cover a variety of units over the next term. These include the following:

- Place value
- Addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Measurement

Children *must* know their Times Tables in Year 6 in order to access all areas of the mathematics curriculum, this includes multiplication and complimentary division facts. Please support your child with this area of their learning- Hit the Button is an excellent online resource that improves speed and accuracy.

Curriculum:

Geography/History

Birmingham/ Ancient Greeks

Year 6 will be studying the geography of Birmingham. We will have the opportunity to embark on a geographical walk to gain a real understanding of the city centre whilst practising our fieldwork skills on the 12th September. In the second half of this term, we will explore the Ancient Greek Civilisation and its influence on British culture in recent history.

Computing

We will be coding and programming, using sensors as input devices. We will also be exploring artificial intelligence and machine learning.

Art & Design

This term we will be focusing on continuous line drawings, what is tone, negative space and will focus on the artwork of a range of artists who have created self-portraits.

French

Our lessons will recap on phonetics and then we will focus on dates and clothes.

Music

Year 6 will use the song 'Happy' by Pharell Williams to learn about performance in music. The children will study also study Jazz in the second half of the term, focusing on Bacharach Anorak and Meet the Blues by Ian Gray.

RE:

Understanding Islam in Britain today
What does mean if God is Holy and Loving?

Science:

Living things and their Habitats /Electricity

Children will focus on Classification and how living things are sorted onto groups based on their characteristics.

Later in the term, we will study Electricity and learn about the components in a circuit, exploring each one in more detail while learning the associated scientific symbols.

PSHE:

Being me in the World and Celebrating Difference

P.E.: Handball, Tag Rugby, Gymnastics and Netball
PE day is on Monday afternoon. Please come to school in your kit.

Homework: Children should continue to read for 20 minutes daily- the expectation throughout school. Maths, grammar and spelling homework will also be set weekly.