



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter - Term 1A.

English:

Reading: We will be having four reading sessions each week where we will focus on reading our text 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' and answering questions based on the following content domains: vocabulary, retrieval, summarise, inference, prediction, sequencing, word meaning and comparison.

Writing: In English this term, we will be studying the text, 'Rose Blanche' by Roberto Innocent and Ian McEwan and 'Anne Frank' by Josephine Poole and Angela Barrett. From these vehicle texts we will be following the cycle of immerse - analyse - plan - write and edit. We will be writing a diary entry for our fiction writing and an award speech for our non-fiction piece of writing.

Spelling: As part of our spelling lessons this half term, we will be working on the following:

Unit 1 and 2: Suffixes

Mathematics:

In Maths this term we will be focussing on the following topics: number: place value, addition and subtraction and statistics.

Science:

Our Science topic this half term is Electricity. As part of this topic, children will be taught to:

- associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit
- compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches
- use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram

Religious Education:

Our Religious Education topic this half term is Life as a Journey. The aim of this topic is to give children an opportunity to think about the idea that that life is a journey and what it means to make that journey as a Christian and enable pupils to begin to understand the concept of undertaking a religious pilgrimage.

This topic will enable children to recognise similarities and differences between pilgrimages made by Christians and people of world faiths, identify several places of pilgrimage around the world, describe the impact that following the teaching of Jesus has on people's lives and describe the features of living life as a Christian.

History:

Our History topic this half term is World War Two. We will be looking at the following:

Allies and Axis Powers - Why did Britain go to war?

World War Two leaders

Home Front

Rationing and the Dig for Victory

Evacuation

Propaganda

Holocaust

Oscar Schindler

The Battle of Britain and the significance of this victory.

Physical Education:

In PE this half term we will be playing:

Invasion Games and Football

Our PE day this half term will be a Tuesday.

In addition, we will be going to swimming lessons every Monday afternoon.

Music:

In Music this half term we will be studying 'Music with a Soul Influence'. We will be listening and appraising the song 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams and performing using the glockenspiel. Whilst performing, we will also be developing our knowledge of standard notation using: semibreves, minims, rests, and treble clefs.

Design Technology

This half term we will be following the process of design, make, evaluate to make our own electrical systems (more complex switches and circuits).

Computing

Our computing topic this half term is Information Technology: understanding computer networks as well as our weekly E-Safety messages.

PSHE - JIGSAW

Our JIGSAW topic this half term is Being Me in My World. Our six JIGSAW pieces this half term are:

My Year Ahead

Being a Global Citizen 1

Being a Global Citizen 2

Our Learning Charter

Dates for your diary:

This half term, we will be acknowledging the following 'theme'/national days:

26th September: European Day of Languages

29th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning

29th September: Liverpool Maths Party

11th October: Harvest

1st October - 31st October: Black History Month

4th - 10th October: World Space Week

6th October: National Poetry Day

10th October: World Mental Health Day

20th October: Show Racism the Red Card

Church visits:

This half term, we will be going to Church on **Tuesday 10th October** for our Experience Harvest event.