

Y6 Curriculum Letter, Spring 2024

Dear all,

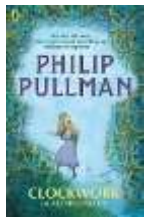
Happy New Year, and welcome to our Spring Term in Year 6! It has been lovely to welcome the children back and they have all made a fantastic start to 2024, demonstrating commitment to and enthusiasm for their learning 😊

English

This term we will be learning about different fiction genres and how to create a suitable atmosphere in our writing. We also will be thinking about how we incorporate dialogue effectively. For our non-fiction work, we will be focusing on World War Two looking particularly at different types of propaganda, from differing sides.

Reading

We have just introduced ourselves to our new class reader, *Clockwork* by Philip Pullman. This is a fantastic story, full of suspense, and will hopefully lend us some inspiration for own suspense stories!



Maths

We have started the term learning more about decimals; we will learn how to calculate percentages and deepen our understanding of the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will then move on to algebra, ratio and revisit area, perimeter and statistics.

Each day we will also continue with some arithmetic, recapping on previous learning as a reminder, and to work on areas that we have already covered but perhaps need more practice.



History

We have started our topic this term, which is a return to World War 2. It is a huge topic, and the children were really engaged in it at the beginning of last term, so it is great that we are able to return to it to look at the use and effects of propaganda and the changes to society resulting from the war, that have influenced the way we live today. If children would like to do any extra research on this, a good place to start is the Imperial War Museum website. To cement our learning from last term and this we will be visiting the Somerset Rural Life Museum

on Tuesday 16th January. Please see trip letter.

Science

In the first half of term, we will focus on the human body. We will be learning about the circulatory system and investigating the effects of exercise on our heart rates. We will also think about how to keep our bodies fit and healthy. After half term, we will be learning more about electricity and electric circuits.



PE will continue on Tuesdays and this term the children will be focussing on gymnastics, multi-skills, dance and athletics.

Other subjects

DT	Spring 2 - Cam toys
Art	Spring 1 - lines and buildings
PSHE	Spring 1 - Keeping myself safe
	Spring 2 - Rights and responsibilities
MFL	Spring 1 & 2- Where I live

Homework.

Homework will continue as before. Words will be set for every child on Spellingframe each week (running from Sunday to Sunday). Spellings have been set from today (Monday 9th January). Maths and spellings homework books will come home on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday. Children should be **reading** for 20 minutes each night (at least five times per week, please 😊). This could be reading their own book or reading/enjoying a book together - and could also include comics and magazines. Reading records will be checked each Monday. Reading plus can also be accessed from home and may contribute to your child's weekly reading.

Please use the Homelearning e-mail address if you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning, and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your ongoing support 😊

Mrs Webb and Mrs Brooker