



Year 6 Newsletter

Classes 6L and 6H



This term the children will be exploring the following topics:

In **Science**, we will be learning about 'Living things and their habitats'. We will be investigating how we classify living things around us including: animals, plants and even microorganisms. We will be classifying these items into different groups making links between them.

How can parents help?

During our Geography and Art sessions, we will be studying the local area. When you are out and about in Widnes, it would be great if you could highlight the different areas and changes in development of Widnes architecture and landmarks over the years.

In **Maths**, some of the things we will practise are:

- Number – place value.
- Number – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

We will be studying and building on the skills which have been acquired over Key Stage 2, applying these skills to numbers to 10 million!

In **PE** we will be studying Sports Hall athletics and dance.

In our Indoor PE sessions (Friday), we will be studying the Haka in our dance unit where we will use canon, formation changes, direction and level to improve choreography

In our Outdoor PE sessions (Wednesday), we will be studying Sports Hall Athletics. We will develop greater force, accuracy, efficiency and distances in our athletic activities within competitive games. The children will set personal targets and aim to improve upon these as the unit progresses.

In **Literacy**: We will be reading Trash.

Trash is a brilliant novel which takes place in South America. The story follows three dumpsite boys who discover a brilliant and exciting treasure. They need to follow the clues and stay ahead of the police to ensure they collect their treasure and preserve their lives.

This half-term in **History** we will be studying both World Wars and their effects on the local area in particular Liverpool. We will be looking at what led Germany to start a Second World War and how it affected both British people fighting and back home. Our focus will be on how war specifically affected the local area of Liverpool.

In **Geography**, we will be studying maps, atlases and digital mapping to explore our local area.

In **Art**, we will be discovering the work of local artist Steven Scholes. Steven has created many pieces of the local area including one of St Luke's Church which will become a focus of our unit.

In **RE**, we will explore the concept of how Christians mark the journey of life. We will be planning out our route of life and setting personal goals and targets for the year ahead.

Messages and reminders

As you start Year 6, you will be invited on a number of high school open days. Your final decision needs to be completed at the end of September. We would encourage you to visit every school and find the best place for you! It is vital that you put a number of choices in ordered preferences.