

Year 6 Newsletter

Classes 6L and 6H



This term the children will be exploring the following topics:

In **Science**, we will be learning about 'Light'. We will be exploring how we see the world around us and how we can move light rays to a chosen location using a number of scientific methods. We will be building on the work completed in Year 3 to help to plan and solve a problem for a local theatre company.

How can parents help?

We will be starting our marble reward scheme this half-term. You can help your child by encouraging them to complete their own revision at home based on their targets which will be discussed with them after Christmas.

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

- Measurements
- Percentages
- Area and Perimeter
- Volume
- Averages

In **PE** this half-term, we will be focusing on teambuilding skills and counter balancing in gymnastic sessions within gymnastics.

Our Outdoor PE sessions will focus highly on the leadership aspect of team-building. Children will be expected to solve problems and work in teams to overcome a number of problem-solving activities.

In our gymnastics sessions, we will be looking at how we can use our bodies to counter balance our weight to help to solve problems.

Our PE days will continue to be on Tuesdays (indoor) and Fridays (outdoor).

In **RE**, we will be studying Islam. We will explore the 5 Pillars of Islam, Hajj and why it is important to Muslims.

In **Literacy**: We will be starting the year studying Macbeth. During this unit of work, we will be considering how Shakespeare has written a number of famous plays and how the English language we use today is still highly derived from him. Children will also take part in a special 'Macbeth in a Day' workshop where they will work as a whole-class to create their own version of Shakespeare's well-known tragedy. We will also look at numerous real-life tales of survival in Survivors.

This half-term, in **History**, we will be studying the Tudor Era. We will look at how the world we live in today has been developed by the Tudors and how it shapes the England we know today. We will also consider the monarchy of King Henry 8th and how Francis Drake led many Tudors in their understanding of the wider world through his circumnavigation of the globe.

In **Geography**, we will be studying the world's natural resources. We will identify the UK's natural resources and explain how they are used before looking at the natural resources of the wider world discussing whether they are used and shared effectively and considerately.

In **Art**, we will be looking at the work of theatre prop designers and how they design their costumes based on the type of character they are going to portray.

Messages and reminders

We will be beginning our morning booster classes this half-term. These classes give your child the opportunity to focus on an area of development within a small group. Please look out for an email which gives you the session that your child has been invited to.

Please encourage your children to practice their spellings and times tables; these can be practiced online on Maths and Spelling Shed.