



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter. Summer half-term 1

Writing

Over the half-term, we will be developing our descriptive writing style all linked to our class book 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret'. We will be concentrating on planning, drafting and evaluating our writing in order to engage the reader.

Throughout the year, there is a strong emphasis on vocabulary, grammar and punctuation as well as spelling.

Reading

This half term we are reading 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' by Brian Selznick, which we will use as our guided and shared reading text.

Our daily guided reading session will focus on prediction, inference, explain, retrieval and summarising skills.

Class text: Hugo Cabret

Author: Brian Selznick



English

Big Question

'How has the world changed'

Maths

PE

Science

Core skills for maths:

- Understand, convert, find equivalent and missing values with percentages.
- Calculate ratio, use scale factors and solve problems involving ratio and proportion.
- Form expressions and substitutions and solve problems using algebra.
- Continue to develop reasoning skills to solve problems using formal written methods.

Maths facts:

- Repetition and consolidation of learned methods of calculation.

Animals including humans – The circulatory system

Children will explore role of the heart, lungs, blood and blood vessels as the body's delivery system.

Pupils will complete a unit on **tennis**, developing their understanding of the principles of serving and returning balls in pairs and doubles. We will learning tennis rules and the importance of moving in games.

In our **fitness** unit, pupils learn different components of fitness including speed, stamina, strength, co-ordination, balance and agility. Pupils will be given opportunities to work at their maximum and improve on their personal fitness levels.



Wider Curriculum

Geography - As part of Geography and topic, will be exploring the Changing World and what this means in a human and physical way. We will explore coastlines, changing towns and how weathering has impacted the world. We will also touch on the human influence of invasions and how this has impacted boundaries.

PHSE - Within PSHE, we will explore physical health and mental wellbeing. What affects mental health and ways to take care of it; managing change, loss

and bereavement; managing time online. We will also look at keeping personal information safe, the law and choices.

RE - We will be looking at a unit called *Power* which includes discussions on Islam (The Night of Ascension,) Christianity (Jesus' miracles) and non-religious views.

Computing - We will focus on spreadsheets and how to use them for data collection and how to use formulas to help analyse data.

Art/DT- Exploring Manga art particular focus on sequences and the artist Osamu Tezuka.

French - Pupils will learn to describe key environmental challenges and use the future tense to say what positive environmental actions they are going to take.



Year 6 team

Teachers:

Mrs Tasker & Mrs Potter

Support teachers:

Mr Rowlands, Miss Naylor and Miss
Hamilton

Food and drink

Please ensure your child has a bottle of water in school every day. Children are also encouraged to bring a piece of fruit or a healthy snack for morning break. Remember that we are a nut-free school.

Reminders

- Please support your child's preparation for SATs by encouraging them to read three times a week, complete maths CGP homework and assigned Emile spelling tasks.
- Maths Boosters will continue until **Thursday 8th May** afterschool.
- SATs week is Monday 12th -Thursday 15th May. During this week, school will be providing a breakfast club for all Year 6 from 8am in the Year 5 classrooms to ensure a prompt and calm start to each test.

PE

Year 6 outdoor PE is Thursday and indoor PE is Friday. Please ensure that your child comes to school already dressed in the correct PE kit. (dark shorts or track suit bottoms, a white t-shirt and blue jumper). Please provide indoor shoes (labelled) that can be worn by your child in a named plastic bag and kept in the cloakroom. Forest School is every other Tuesday. Please send children in their PE kit on these days.

Finally, we would to thank all parents/carers for your help and support throughout the year so far. If you have any questions, please ask a member of the Year 6 team.