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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Autumn 2 2024

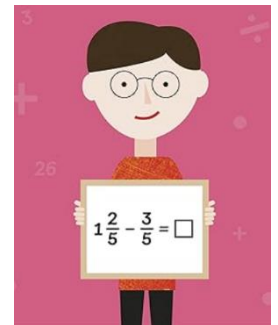
Year 6 have had a brilliant start to their final year in primary school and have made excellent progress in their learning. I hope this half term will be just as successful.

It was great to see so many parents and carers visiting our class during the parent drop-in session before half term and it was great to discuss your child's learning at our Autumn Term parent consultation meeting. If you were not able to make your meeting, please email me to make a new appointment.

Below I have outlined the learning that will take place this half term:

Maths

Year 6 will be starting off this half term by learning about fractions. We will find equivalent fractions and simplify fractions before adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions. After this, we will move on to decimals where we will use our knowledge of whole numbers to complete the 4 operations (+ - \times \div) with decimals. Your support with helping children learn their times tables facts is greatly appreciated.

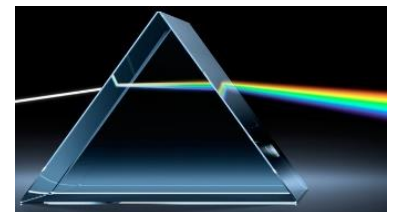


Literacy

This half term's writing unit is based on horror narratives; we will be reading a collection of short stories (suitable for upper KS2) by Anthony Horowitz and Peter J Murray. We will be writing our own horror stories - designing characters and settings, and planning the parts of the story - and ensuring that like all good writers, the 'build up' is the key.

Science - Light

Our science topic this term is Light. Children will be learning about how we see, shadows, reflection and refraction. We will learn how light travels to enable us to see objects. We will also learn about Isaac Newton and his theory of light and colour. This will link to our literacy topic as we will discuss whether what we see can really be believed or if our eyes can play tricks on us.



Geography - Brazil

We will be learning about the country of Brazil during this term's geography lessons. We will be using a variety of maps to locate Brazil and identify its regions and cities as well as other physical features. We will also be looking in detail at the human and physical geography of the country as well as the thinking about how we could improve the living conditions of those living in favelas.

PSHE - Jigsaw: Celebrating difference:

In our PSHE lessons, we will be discussing what being normal means and how being different could affect someone's life. We will be exploring ways in which differences can be a source of conflict but also a cause for celebration.



Celebrating Difference



Design and Technology - Sewing:

This unit on designing and making a felt product will teach children about how to write their own design criteria. We will learn how to make a paper template and how to sew a running stitch and whip stitch to create their own felt Christmas decoration.

RE - Beliefs

In RE 6B will be learning about why some people believe in God and some do not. Children will look at what religious and non-religious people believe about God, saying where they get their ideas from.

Computing - Web creations

In Computing, Year 6 will be learning about web creation. They will look at what makes a good website, layout and issues around copywriting.

PE

6B will have PE on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** with Mrs Boyle. This half term they will also have an additional Padel Tennis coach joining us for the Tuesday lesson.

Please ensure children have the correct school PE kit, including a PE jacket for lessons outside, and appropriate trainers or plimsolls.

Homework

Year 6 will receive weekly homework which will include:

- Maths fluency
- Spellings (Year 6 Jersey Curriculum)

Homework will be given out on a **Monday** and collected in the following **Monday**. The previous week's spellings will be tested on a **Wednesday**.

There is a homework tray in the classroom for children to put their homework in and they are welcome to give it in earlier in the week. If your child loses their homework, please let me know immediately and they can either print or email another copy.

Please encourage your child to take responsibility for their own learning in preparation for secondary school.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to email me at the address below.

Kind regards,

Miss Burton

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