



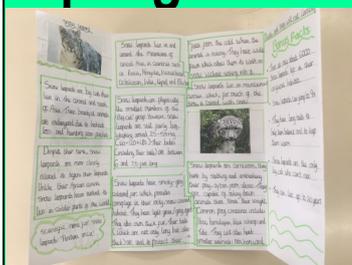
Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome back, we hope you have all had a restful break. We begin the term like we've never been away with a full revision timetable in preparation for SATs. Our main topic for the this term is 'The Vikings'. We will be linking our learning across the curriculum so that the children really get the sense of the history and the culture of this era. This will include a themed week where the children will have a Viking banquet and use Art and DT skills to create their own models of Viking longships and shields. There will also be a visit from a Viking expert, where we will handle Viking artefacts. We are looking forward to the many trips we have organised for the summer, including SATs Fun Day, Bournemouth and Drayton Manor.

Spring Review



Endangered animal homework



Making a car of the future



Abys creature art work

Subject Overviews

English

The first part of the half term will see children continue to independently write a range of fiction and non-fiction texts as part of the SATs assessment. Towards the end of the term, the children will be inspired by our learning of the Vikings and from class reading of 'How to train a dragon'. We will also use our trips to Drayton Manor and Bournemouth to form the basis of some writing about theme parks.

Maths

Initially, we will be consolidating learning from across the entire Maths curriculum that we have learnt throughout the year. As always, we will take the opportunity to make links to real life situations and apply their understanding to solving problems. After half term, we will begin several problem solving projects that will bring together a multitude of mathematical skills and reasoning to a range of contexts, including everyday situations and other subjects such as Art.

Science

Throughout the summer term, Science revision sessions will continue for the first part of the half term to consolidate knowledge of scientific vocabulary and key concepts. Alongside this, we will be carrying out a variety of investigations designed to support and consolidate our learning over the year.

History

The topic for the summer is the 'The Vikings'. The first half of the term is spent investigating who they were; where they were from and why they came to Britain. We will learn about some of the most prevalent aspects of the Viking era, such as their settlements, their weapons, longships, their beliefs and gods and their language. We also look forward to a 'Viking Week' at the end of half term when the children will have an opportunity to make their own models and cook and taste some of the food during a Viking banquet.

DT

Our focus of DT this half term will be food. We will spend the first few weeks learning about food preparation and hygiene, before developing a Viking menu to serve and eat at our Viking banquet.

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Homework

Spellings

The children will still receive new spellings on a Monday which will be stuck in their log books. They will be tested the following Monday.

Reading

We ask that children are listened to while they read for about 10 minutes a day. They have an appropriate reading book given to them by the school but they could also choose to read a book from home or the library. Please support them by recording their reading in their organisers.

Children who read at least 5 times per week are awarded merits.

Maths

The children will be set maths homework at least once a fortnight depending which group they are in. This will usually be on MyMaths. If the children need additional support or access to a computer to complete it they can attend homework club.

Homework Project

This term your child will be set a homework linked to our learning across the curriculum. Thank you for your support with this. Further details will follow.

Subject Overviews

Art

Next half term we will be linking our Art to the famous artist and architect, Gaudi. We will be researching his style and techniques and will experiment with his technique of using mosaics to create art work. There will also be lots of opportunity to paint, make and create throughout our Viking week.

RE

In RE this term we will be looking at the similarities and differences between the world's most popular religions in areas such as festivals, traditions, beliefs and practises.

P.S.H.E

Towards the end of the year, we will be preparing the children for their move into secondary school by looking at relationships and changes, as well as working in partnership with other schools to organise transition trips and visits.

French

The summer term gives children in Year 6 the opportunity to sample two new languages – German in the first half term and Spanish in the second. This will enable them to develop their language learning skills and find links across languages and it will also help them to make more informed choices about their preferred language for secondary school.

Music

In music lessons we will be focusing on singing and performance skills as we build to the Year 6 end of year performance. We will develop breathing skills and improve our sense of pitch. We will continue to read music and add pitched notes to our rhythm reading. We will also continue to improve our keyboard skills and learn to play the chords to accompany our singing.

Games / P.E

This term, the children will build on skills in a range of Athletic sports. They will also continue to develop their abilities in field and striker games like rounder's and cricket, as well as consolidating skills in tennis.

PE Kit Reminder: We strongly recommend that your child brings in their full PE kit on a Monday morning and leave it in school until Friday afternoon. This will reduce the number of occasions where children forget their PE kit for lessons.

Diary Dates

- SATs Week 13th - 16th May
- Fun Day Friday 17th May
- Viking Week 20th- 24th May
- Bournemouth Information Evening 21st May 5:45pm
- Bournemouth Trip 17th—19th June / 19th—21st June
- Drayton Manor Tuesday 9th of July
- Leavers assembly and disco Thursday 18th July