

Year 6 Term 3 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you and your child have had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas holiday, and are now ready to start term 3 revitalised and ready for some hard work!

English	In English, we will read extracts from 'The Hobbit'. Using this as a model for writing, we will use our writing skills to create a short story with a flashback. We will also use what we have read as inspiration for a non-chronological report about dragons and instructions on how to defeat a dragon. We will also use extracts from other books such as, 'Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire' and 'How to train your dragon' as inspiration for our writing.
Reading comprehension	As well as reading every day , it is also extremely important to practise asking and answering questions about the text. Reading comprehension forms a prominent part of the curriculum in year six and we will practise the skills of answering inference, author intent and deduction questions every day.
Maths	We will continue to practise using the formal written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division with increasingly large numbers. We will continue to study percentages, fractions and decimals and how they can be converted using specific calculations. We will also apply our arithmetic knowledge to different reasoning problems. We will also begin to look at algebra and position and direction.
Science	We are going to study animals including humans and look at their biology. We will identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will study the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way our bodies function.
PE	In PE, this term, we will be focused on gymnastics - counter-balance and counter tension. This will involve holding controlled balances, performing a range of symmetrical balances, counter balances and working together as a group or pairs to hold balances.
Geography	This term, in Geography, we will study the UK. We will be comparing the UK with another region in a European country and North America. We will sketch maps, plans and graphs and observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area.
Art	In art, we are going to use the medium of clay to create our own model of a dragon. We will design the model and then paint it at the end.
RE	In RE, we are going to look at and learn about values and what matters most to us. We will then apply these ideas and relate them to the study of religion. We will create values books to record our observations and use them to review and revisit ideas.
ICT	In computing lessons, we will studying information technology this term. We will use purple mash's 2DIY to create a 3D world and look at online safety aspects of using the internet such as online footprints, privacy, secure sites, online dangers and understanding the importance of balancing screen time with other parts of their lives.

Additional Information

PE

Please note that your child will need to have the correct PE kit in school every day.

Their kit should consist of a white t-shirt, dark blue or black shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers/daps.



No jewellery is to be worn; hair needs to be tied back and head scarves must be short and tight fitting. These are all to ensure the safety of your child.

READING

Please listen to your child read at least 4 times a week as this will help both their reading and writing abilities. Reading comprehension is a big focus so please ensure your child is practising this at home. Reading comprehension practise can be found on reading eggs if your child completes the lessons.

HOMEWORK

Your child will bring home homework every Friday. This homework will reflect the subjects studied during the week. Homework is compulsory, please ensure your child completes the work, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to come in and see us at the end of the school day. **Homework is due back in on the following Wednesday.**

Many Thanks

Miss Truman, Mr Roberts and Mrs Vernon

The Year Six Team