

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are already in the Summer term. There are lots of activities and trips planned for the next few weeks, so please keep an eye out for ParentMails and letters containing more information. We begin with bikeability for Year six and our residential trip. Children not taking part in the residential have activities in school to look forward to. Year 6 also have SATs this half term.

Curriculum

English

We will be continuing to look at the novel Darwin's Dragons and will use the text to develop our story writing, looking at the story from the point of view of different characters. We will examine the real life characters that are part of the story and find out more about their lives.

Maths

Year 6 will be looking at perimeter, area and volume, statistics and will then move onto properties of shape. They will also continue to look at a variety of reasoning and problem solving and will revise previously taught units with a focus on the four operations.

Year 5 be working on equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages and decimal numbers. They will then move on to some work on shape and space, with a focus on recognising, classifying and measuring angles.

Science

The children will spend the first few lessons completing the unit of work from last half term, based on Evolution and Inheritance. They will then move onto a new unit about electricity, looking at circuits and carrying out practical experiments.

Topic - This half term we will be completing our unit of work about Ancient Egypt. We will look at what was important to the people of Ancient Egypt, compare the powers of different Gods and look at how artifacts have helped us to understand more about life at this time.

Computing - The children will be working on their coding skills, thinking about how to be efficient coders and how coding is used in the world around us, for example traffic control systems.

French - We will be completing a unit of work called That's Tasty. The children will learn to say different foods that might be eaten for particular meals and express their likes and dislikes. They will listen and repeat, use vocabulary cards and write simple sentences. This is a continuation of the work started last half term.

Art - The children will be creating different pieces of art based around their topic of Ancient Egypt. They will look at jewellery, masks and sarcophagus. Different materials will be used to recreate examples of different artifacts.

RE - The title of the unit of work is Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people? This unit will examine how Jewish people live their lives and how this might be changing in the modern world. It examines connections between the commandments and the choices Jewish people make.

PE - Once again we will be working with Newcastle United on a Monday. We hope to be outdoors whenever possible, so please ensure the children are dressed suitably. On Friday, both year groups will be doing cricket. Again this will be outdoors whenever possible.

Homework - The children are working hard to complete their homework and it is making a difference to their work in class. Your support is appreciated and arrangements for setting and handing in homework remain the same.

If you have any further questions please ask.

Regards,

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