

Year 6 Spring Newsletter 2017

Welcome back to the Spring Term!

As we all know this is an important term for the Year 6s. The whole Year 6 team have been impressed by the focus of the children so far this year and we are sure that this will continue as we make our final preparations for SATs. We have our science focus week this term, as well as our book week, and the children will be working on a number of interesting projects, including the opportunity to write scripts with the Soho Theatre.

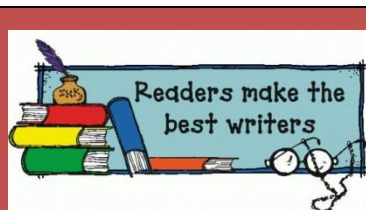
Our trips this term will be to the Mile End climbing wall, as a team building exercise before our SATs and as a reward for the hard work and SATs preparation that will be done this term, the Central Family Court, for a law workshop, and the Tate Modern for an art workshop.

Please note, we have moved some subjects to the summer term so they can be taught as projects.

If you have any comments or concerns please don't hesitate to speak to us after school or you can call the school office to arrange a meeting.

Thanks for your continued support. We look forward to a great term with your children!

Mr Walden, Miss Adeel, Mr Jessener and Ms Woodgate



Literacy

This term, Year 6 pupils are being taught literacy in three sets. Pupils are either with Mr Walden, Miss Adeel or Mr Jessener. In all three groups, the children will be enhancing their reading comprehension skills, producing a range of writing including letters of complaint and horror stories, and will be building grammar, punctuation and spelling skills.

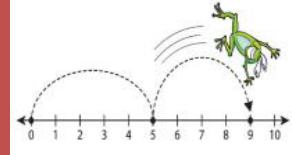
Here are some ideas for websites for the children to practise their literacy skills:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/>

<http://www.ictgames.com/literacy.html>



Mathematics



Mathematics continues to be taught in three sets by Mr Walden, Miss Adeel and Mr Jessener. We will be working very hard in Mathematics this term with the goal of getting the best possible results in the SATs exams in May. In light of this goal, some year 6 pupils will be having extra maths lessons in the afternoons.

Here are some ideas for websites for the children to practise their maths skills:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/>

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2numeracy.html>

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/timestable/interactive.htm>

<http://www.ictgames.com/resources.html>

<http://www.bigbrainmaths.com/>



Humanities



This term our History topic is The Victorians. We will be looking at life in Victorian cities, how some children's lives were easier than other and how industry changed the face of Britain during the 19th Century. We will be looking at a range of primary and secondary source material and completing a varied of independent and group based projects.



Computing

This term in computing we will be creating short films using green screen technology and exploring internet safety and digital literacy.

Here are some ideas for websites for the children to practise their computing skills:

www.light-bot.com

www.code.org

www.scratch.mit.edu

www.kodugamelab.com



Art/Design & Technology

In art we will be learning about key periods of art history from the 19th and 20th centuries and producing artwork inspired by these artists and movements.

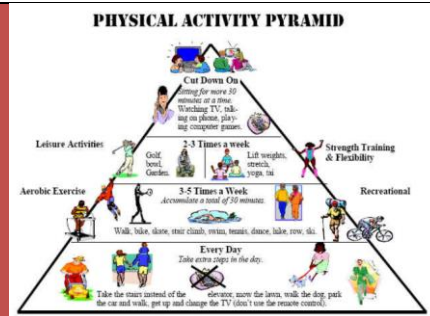
Here are some ideas for websites for the children to practise their artistic skills:

<http://www.artsconnected.org/toolkit/index.html>

<http://www.disney.co.uk/disney-junior/art-attack/>



PE



This term PE will be on a Tuesday or a Thursday and will be led by a specialist sport coach. We will be taking part in a range of activities including team games, such as hockey, and movement and agility skills activities.



Home Learning

Homework will be handed out each Friday and is due in on the following Wednesday (unless told otherwise).

Your child will receive: maths and literacy homework each week.

Additionally, it is expected that your child reads for at least 15 minutes every day.