



Y6 Curriculum Newsletter

Summer Term 1

Celebrating last half term

The children really enjoyed their local history focused project: What happened during WWII? In particular, our trip to Crich Tramway Village was a wonderful opportunity for the children to understand life on the Home Front during the Second World War. The children learnt about the role of women during WWII, creating their own version of Jennings's 'Women of Steel' sculpture. In addition, the children produced some outstanding newspaper articles and diary entries linked to their learning on the Sheffield Blitz and evacuation.

Useful information

PE days are as follows:

Y6AH- Tuesday and Friday

Y6GR- Tuesday and Thursday

Y6MK- Wednesday and Friday

Children need to have appropriate clothing for PE, including a school PE t-shirt and trainers. This should be kept in school all term. They will need to have long hair tied back. All jewellery must be removed.

Key dates:

Mock SATS week will take place during the week beginning 22nd April.

SATS week is the week beginning 13th May.

Our project will be: How Does My Body Work and Grow?

This half term, our science project focuses on the working of the heart and the role of the circulatory system within the body. The children will study the functions of the heart in detail, dissect a lamb's heart, produce scientific diagrams and an explanation text outlining its role in carrying oxygen and nutrients around the body. Alongside this, the children will also explore light and its relation to the body, for example, how our eyes can see. Each class will also visit the science labs at King Edward School to carry out an investigation about the eyes. In addition, they will carry out investigations to understand how diet and exercise affect the body.

English

This half term, our writing genres will be: Instruction writing and explanation texts.

In SPaG we will continue to revise all of the KS2 punctuation and grammar. In addition to this, we will continue learning how to use advanced punctuation e.g. colons, semi-colons, and dashes in parenthesis.

The children will have a dedicated reading lesson on every day from 9:10am - 9:30am. These sessions give the children the opportunity to fully develop a range of reading skills.

The whole class book will be Pig Heart Boy.

Maths

In our daily maths lessons this term we will be covering the following topics:

- Shape
- Position and symmetry
- Problem solving
- Themed projects

We will continue to have weekly arithmetic sessions (basic skills). Throughout all topics, concrete apparatus may be used to help the children apply their knowledge and skills.

Life skills

In our Life Skills work this half term, we will be focusing on...

- Why do we argue?
- Who am I?
- Why do some people take drugs?
- Where should I get my health information?
- How do I save a life?
- (First Aid)

Ways to support your child at home

Home learning tasks will be included in each child's book.

Other useful home learning tasks include:

- Timestable Rockstar
- Reading (reading records will be sent home)
- Spelling revision
- Talking to them about Life Skills lessons