

# Year 6

## Spring Term 2022/2023

Happy New Year! **As the Spring term begins, and the children of Year 6 begin a vital stage of their education we ask that you prioritise their attendance.** We have lots to look forward to over the Spring term with our topics 'Heroes and Villains' and 'North America'.



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### Mathematics

Over the duration of the term we will be covering many areas in Mathematics including:

- Place Value
- Decimals
- Written Addition & Subtraction
- Geometry
- Measures
- Addition & Subtraction

### English

In English, we will be studying a range of text types including: older literature (Shakespeare's Macbeth) and Holes by Louis Sachar. Our non-fiction units will be: explanations and information hybrid texts. Our poetry unit will be poems with imagery.

Throughout all of the above, children will continually develop their knowledge of grammar, spelling and punctuation, whilst handwriting tasks will be completed during Guided Reading.

### Science

Over the first half-term of the Spring term, we will be exploring living things and their habitats. This will include exploring habitats, life cycles and food chains.

After February half-term, we will explore electricity through creating and testing circuits building on knowledge for years 2 and 4.

### Physical Education

Over the term, children in Year 6 will participate in PE lessons on a Thursday.

During Spring half-term 1, children will receive Physical Education lessons on a Thursday afternoon with Coach Liam focusing on Badminton.

During Spring half-term 2, children will take part in dance lessons led by Rossendale Leisure Trust with coaches from Rossendale Dance and Drama Centre.

On Tuesday afternoons, children will continue to attend swimming lessons at Marl Pits.

Please ensure children have suitable kit for all above.

### Computing

In Computing, we will be exploring the topics 'Blogging' and 'Quizzing'. Throughout the sessions, we will be discussing e-safety and the importance of staying safe online.

### Creative Curriculum

#### Heroes and Villains:

- History: crime and punishment from 1066 to present day.
- Art & design: shape, form and model constructions.
- Music: a New Year Carol

#### North America:

- Geography: a region within North America.
- Music: You've Got a Friend.

### Spanish

We will continue with our half hour weekly Spanish lessons-we are looking forward to learning more in these lessons.

### Religious Education

In RE we will be exploring topics, 'Why do Christians celebrate the Eucharist?' and we will also explore 'Easter. Who was Jesus? Who is Jesus?'

Through these units, children will further develop their understanding of Christianity and other world religions.

### P.S.H.E

Over the term children will be covering a range of topics including 'Democracy and Parliament' and 'Rights and Responsibilities'. We will enjoy time to discuss a range of situations and learn to listen to others.

### Things to remember and to know about Year 6:

- **Homework** is set on a **Monday** and should be completed by **Friday**.
- **Purple Mash is used to set** homework, children will complete tasks based on English, Mathematics, Reading and the Topic theme.
- Children who **read three times** a week will be **Reading Stars** will be awarded 10 minutes extra playtime and a biscuit treat. Don't forget to sign if your child has read at home.
- **PE kits need to stay in school at all times**, P.E will be on a **Wednesday morning** (even when participating in afterschool activities).
- During the Autumn term, children in Year 6 will **swim on a Tuesday afternoon**. **Children will require appropriate swimming kit, further details to follow.**
- **Correct uniform is to be worn all the times.** Please notify me of any issues e.g. school shoes.
- Check the **School Facebook page** for photos, news and up to date learning which has taken place in our themes.