



Year 6 Spring 1 Newsletter 2022

Meet the Team

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Mrs Kaur-Griffiths



Mrs Exley



Mr Cresswell



Miss Chapman



Topic Overview & Key Text

Topic

We have developed a new thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

Our topic work will focus on the Evolution

Geography: The children will learn about why and what we trade and Fair Trade

Art: How can we produce fine detail when using colour?

Science: Evolution with a focus on Charles Darwin

PSHE: Healthy Living-peer pressure and First Aid

RE: What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the twenty-first century?

Maths

This term we will be looking at Geometry, position and direction, decimals, percentage and algebra. The children will be consolidating their previous knowledge from Key stage two. This will be completed through fluency, reasoning and problem solving activities in class.

Arithmetic will continue to be a focus: four operations, percentages, BODMAS, four operation of fractions. We will practise these types of questions through our five a day starters.

Writing

Inspired by the true story of Jemmy Button- a native boy from Tierra del Fuego who was brought to England to be 'civilised' – this book illustrates Jemmy's extraordinary encounters as an outsider in an unfamiliar land and his emotional return home. The Island explores when Charles Darwin first visited the Galápagos Islands almost 200 years ago, only to discover a land filled with plants and animals that could not be found anywhere else on earth. How did they come to inhabit the island? How long will they remain? We will look at epic saga of the life of an island-born of fire, rising to greatness, its decline, and finally the emergence of life on new islands. Our writing outcome will be a newspaper report.

This text has been chosen because it provides a number of writing opportunities for our children to write at a mastery Year 6 level.

Reading

We will be using two books as our main text this term: Jemmy Button; which is a true story about a native boy from Tierra del Fuego who was brought to England to be 'civilised', and The Island; when Charles Darwin first visited the Galápagos Islands almost 200 years ago. Additionally, we will also be using The Boy at the Back of the Class, When the Whales Walked and The theory of Life.

During this topic, we will look at multiculturalism, evolution and natural selection.



Year 6 Routines

Homework

Daily reading. Reading journal signed by parent/carer 3 times weekly

Monday – reading and spellings

Tuesday – reading

Wednesday – reading

Thursday –reading and maths

Friday- PE Kit needed and spelling test

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Maths Homework due Spellings tested			Maths homework given out	PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings; a plain PE top; a pair of trainers. Maths and, spellings, SPaG homework

Key Dates:

Wednesday 4th January - school opens 2023

Friday 17th February- last day of term 2023

Return to school-Tuesday 28th February 2023