



Curriculum Newsletter – Year Six Terms Three and Four

Literacy

In Literacy this term we will continue with the work we were started on argument writing. We will also be reading and writing biographies and autobiographies; this work will be based on Roald Dahl and our book for this term will be his autobiography, 'Boy'. With Mrs Hill, we will use the Apollo 13 Space Mission to help us write flashback stories.

We will also continue to cover the Year Six spelling punctuation and grammar curriculum and practise our reading comprehension skills ready for SATs.

As we get nearer to the tests in May, we will revise other types of writing to help the children to prepare.

Numeracy

The children will continue to develop their use of standard written methods for multiplication, division, addition and subtraction and use these to solve word problems. They will investigate patterns and sequences and solve number puzzles.

They will continue to find out about fractions, decimals and percentages including equivalence, adding and subtracting fractions and converting mixed numbers to improper fractions. They will also learn to make and draw shapes accurately, use measures in a problem solving capacity, work out the perimeter and area of compound shapes and calculate the angles of a triangle.

Science

In Science we will be learning about Light and the Earth, Moon and Sun. This links with our Twentieth Century Heroes and Villains topic as well as with our flashback story writing.

Topic

Our topic title for this term is Heroes and Villains of the Twentieth Century. In particular, we will be finding out about the people involved in the first moon landing and the Apollo 13 Space Mission, Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, Roald Dahl and The Beatles. We will develop our skills and understanding in History, ICT and PSHE as we find out about these events and people.

<p>Art and DT</p> <p>In Art and DT we will be looking at the work of famous twentieth century artists including David Hockney and Andy Warhol and learning how to create 'Pop art' style pictures. We will also look at the work of Lichtenstein and create our own work of a similar style.</p>	<p>PE Days</p> <p>This term we will be learning how to play Table Tennis and developing our running, jumping and throwing skills in sportshall athletics. PE takes place every Tuesday and Thursday. However due to occasional timetable changes we ask that children have PE kit in school every day. Please could you ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing? Thank you.</p>
<p>ICT</p> <p>In ICT we are learning how to code. We will be using Espresso Coding to help us with this.</p> <p>.</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>We recommend that children read daily and that comments are recorded in the home / school communication book. Times tables should be practised in order to support the children's mental maths work. Children will receive maths and literacy homework weekly. Mrs Clark will set homework on Thursdays and it should be returned by the following Tuesday. Mrs Hill and Mr Doman will set homework on Fridays and it should be returned by the following Wednesday.</p>