

# Year 6 Spring 2 Newsletter



### <u>English</u>

We will continue to practise our reading skills and become fluent, competent readers. In our writing we will be continuing to hone our skills in SPaG and a keen focus of writing with flair. This will allow our writers to become much more aware of how to write for their audience and genre.

In addition to this, we will be focusing on practising spellings and handwriting to ensure that all work is presented neatly and accurately. Each child will also be given individual writing targets to work on throughout the term, helping them to develop and refine their writing skills. This personalized approach will support their progress in writing.

### <u>Maths</u>

With SATs fast approaching, children will focus on solving reasoning questions similar to those they'll encounter in the Key Stage 2 tests in May, building confidence and problem-solving skills.

They will continue their daily 30-minute arithmetic sessions, practicing all written methods for the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division), as well as working on fractions and calculating percentages of numbers. This daily practice will help reinforce key concepts and improve fluency in mathematics.

## <u>Topic</u>

In this unit, students will explore a science-based biology unit on Evolution and Adaptation. They will be learning how living things are classified and how species change over time. They'll study fossils to understand past life and discover how adaptations can drive evolution. In art, they will focus on Maria Sibylla Merian, a renowned artist known for her detailed illustrations of insects and plants, exploring the connection between art and science. This unit offers an opportunity to see how the study of nature can inspire both scientific understanding and creative expression.



# <u>PE</u>

This term, children will take part in outdoor rugby on Mondays, where they'll focus on teamwork, strategy, and developing their physical skills. On Thursdays, they will engage in indoor martial arts dance, combining movement, discipline, and rhythm to enhance their coordination and creativity. Both activities will provide opportunities to build confidence, fitness, and teamwork in a fun and active environment.

Children are required to attend PE sessions in the correct kit, which includes a white t-shirt, navy blue, grey, or black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, and black trainers. This ensures that everyone is comfortable and ready to participate fully in both outdoor and indoor activities.

#### Reminders

- ✓ All children are expected to read for 15 minutes each night and have their planner signed daily.
- ✓ Times tables practise is important. Please ensure your child is practising on TT Rockstars.
- ✓ Homework is given out on a Wednesday and should be handed in on the following Monday.
- ✓ If your child would like water during lessons, they should bring a filled sports plastic bottle from home, every day.
- Please ensure your child brings a bag every day to put letters and reading books in.
  Bottles and bags are available to buy from the office, or you can provide one of your own.
- ✓ When it is your child's birthday they are allowed to come in non-uniform.
- ✓ Please remember we are a nut-free school.