

Year 6 Spring 1 Newsletter



English

This half term we will be learning how to write a portal story. Children will learn how to use a range of punctuation: semi colons, colons, speech and apostrophe for possession. Students will create their own setting and character descriptions that concentrate on deeper level work. Creating atmosphere within their work to elevate their future work.

In addition to this, we will be practising spellings and handwriting to ensure our work is presented well. Children will also be set individual writing targets that they will be continuing to work on throughout the term.

Maths

In maths, children will have two short learning blocks of ratio and algebra. Furthermore, children will be learning fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents.

In ratio, children will learn how to use the ratio symbol, correct language, and explore the differences and similarities between ratios and fractions.

In algebra, children will formally look at algebra for the first time by exploring function machines, forming expressions and equations.

There will be 30 minutes of daily arithmetic which includes practice of all written methods for the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), fractions, and percentages of a number.

Topic

This half term we will have a history and geography topic about Ancient Greece. Children will use comparisons and debate to learn about daily Greek life, their achievements and their influence on the Western World. We are going to be learning about lots of different parts of life as an Ancient Greek, but we will particularly focus on some famous battles and Comparisons of Athens and Sparta.

In art, children will create an Ancient Greek vase using a combination of clay techniques and finish their vase by painting and glazing.

PE

This term children will be participating in outdoor football (on a Monday) and indoor yoga (on a Thursday) and outdoor football (on a Monday). Children will be learning how to pass a ball using their feet, pass a ball over a longer distance and dribble. In yoga, children will perform complex Yoga poses with good core strength, flexibility and balance for longer periods of time on each pose

Children must attend in the correct PE kit, which is a white t-shirt, navy blue/grey/black tracksuit bottoms or shorts and black trainers.

Reminders

- ✓ All children are expected to read for 20 minutes each night and have their planner signed.
- ✓ 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.