

Literacy

Fiction: The focus for our literacy work will be to acquire and use effective vocabulary in our writing, to use a range of sentence structures and a wide range of vocabulary including figurative language. Our fiction work will be based on 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. We will also be learning about Greek myths to link with our work in History.

Non-fiction: Our non-fiction skills will be developed through our History work on the Greeks. Children will have opportunities to produce a range of non-fiction writing, such as reports and persuasive texts.

Maths:

Year 5 will start the term by developing skills in multiplication and division strategies. Learning will then focus on fractions, decimals and percentages. We will use our mathematical skills, logic and reasoning to solve problems and undertake investigations. **Year 6** will be working on decimals and percentages. They will move on to converting units of measurement, including the area and volume of shapes. In algebra, they will learn to use simple formulae and linear number sequences. In geometry and statistics, they will calculate the mean and investigate parts of a circle. **Children must continue to work on their instant recall of multiplication and division facts. Knowing their times tables up to 12x12 is crucial at this stage.**

Science:

We will be completing our work on Electricity, before moving on to a Chemistry unit based on the properties of materials. As with all our Science work, there will be a focus on developing children's investigative skills, as well as teaching core vocabulary.

ICT:

This term we will be learning how to use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact. E safety Week 6th February 2017 Safer Internet Day Tuesday 7th February 2017.

History:

We will be revising and developing our historical skills in the following areas: use of timelines; interpreting historical evidence; comparing past and present and recognising how the past influences the present; presenting our understanding in a variety of ways. The context for this work is Ancient Greece.

P.E.

As usual, we place great importance on promoting health and fitness. In their dedicated P.E. lessons, children will be working with Mr Jones on a gymnastics unit. In addition to this, children will also benefit from a range of physical activities provided at playtimes and lunch times. New after school sports clubs have been launched for the Spring term.

R.E.

Year 5 We will be covering a unit called Faith in Action, during which children will explore how some people show their commitment to a particular belief.

Year 6 will be covering a unit called Hopes and Visions, during which pupils will explore how and why religions celebrate key religious events.

P.H.S.C.E.

We will be reflecting on our personal abilities, qualities and strengths, and using this to set goals for 2017. We will also continue to work on how to understand and manage our emotions.

French:

We will be learning how to structure simple sentences based on common nouns and colours.

Art and Design:

This term we will be focusing on developing our skills in sculpture. This will involve researching, designing and making a clay pot typical of Ancient Greek pottery. We will also be contributing to a HCOC17 sculpture project.

Important information

P.E. kit **must** be brought into school **every Monday** and taken home on a Friday.

Children **must** have suitable footwear for P.E. (sandshoes or trainers)

Y6 Study Club will take place every Thursday lunch time.

Homework Y5

Monday: Maths

Tuesday: Science/topic

Wednesday: Reading Comprehension

Thursday: Tables

Friday: SPAG

Homework Y6

Monday: Reading

Tuesday: Maths

Wednesday: Science/Topic

Thursday: Grammar

Friday: Spelling

Visits/Visitors

13.2.17 HCOC17 Week

13.2.17 Stepney Station Visit

13.2.17 Station Architect Visit

23.3.17 Y5 P&O visit

23.3.17 Y6 BAE systems