

English

In English this term the children will be reading 'Freedom' by Catherine Johnson. The book tells the story of a young boy born into slavery in Jamaica. We will be writing in a variety of genres, including narratives, descriptions and instruction texts.

Art

This term, our focus is on drawing. The children will use different mediums to draw with and learn observational skills to draw still life objects as well as our natural environment at school.

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Welcome to Year 6!

We have an exciting term ahead of us! If you have any questions please ask your child's teacher.

History

This term in History the children will be learning about 'Maafa', which means 'a great disaster' and refers to the Transatlantic Slave Trade in the 15th century.

Your child will carry out research and learn about the abolition of slavery in the 19th century and the Race Relations Act of 1965. The children will gain an insight into African culture and will understand the consequences of enslavement.

Maths

This term we will be following the White Rose maths curriculum. We will be teaching 'place value' in weeks 1-3, which will include rounding and comparing numbers including negative numbers. There will be a focus on times tables with a new 'Times Table Time' section added to 3 lessons per week.

Recommended Reads

The story of Slavery (Young reading series 3) by Sarah Courtauld

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Story-Slavery-Young-Reading-Purple/dp/0746087527>

Africa, Amazing Africa by Atinuke

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Africa-Amazing-Country/dp/1406376582>

William Wilberforce: The Freedom Fighter by Derick Bingham

<https://www.amazon.co.uk/William-Wilberforce-Freedom-Fighter-Freedom/dp/1857923715>

Computing

In Term 1 the children will learn about how to stay safe online at school and at home. They will consider the positive and negative aspects of the internet and social media platforms.-

French

In French the children will be focusing on learning conversational words in order to be able to introduce and talk about themselves.

PSHE

The theme for PSHE this term is "Being Me In My World"

Children will be discussing their role in the various communities they belong to and how they can work with others.

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Science

In Science this term we will be exploring electrical circuits and components. The children will make their own circuits, starting with a simple one and building on their knowledge to then create more complex circuits. There will be plenty of problem-solving opportunities!

Physical Education

All Year 6 classes will have PE on a Monday and a Thursday. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct PE uniform:

- Leggings and hoodies/sweatshirts should be navy blue or black (no patterns or logos please).
- T-shirts should be in your child's community colour.
- Earrings need to be taken out. If your child can't do this themselves please make sure they are taken out before coming into school.

Music

Year 6 will be using Charanga to study the song 'Happy' in Term 1. We will listen to the rhythm, tempo and dynamics of the song. Children will consider what they like or dislike about the song as well learning the lyrics.

Religious Education

In R.E, Year will be looking at what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today. We will look at the difference aspects of Muslim life and how easy or difficult it is to fit faith around daily life.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a Friday and is expected to be completed and handed in on the following Wednesday.

Children will be tested on their spellings every Friday.