

English (Reading and writing):

Text drivers/books to share: The poem - The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes

Reading

Children that are part of our phonics scheme (Read Write Inc), will continue to improve decoding and fluency when reading. Children that are fluent will be focussing on their reading skills to aid comprehension. We are using Reading VIPERS to help with this.

Writing

In English, Year 6 will be studying the narrative poem 'The Highwayman'. They will be using the figurative language to help them write descriptions of characters and settings. We will use a model text of the poem that is written in different 'voices' from the poem as a monologue. To write this they will be learning how to write in first person, correct tense and how to enhance meaning by choosing appropriate vocabulary. In their final piece they will also be able to select the appropriate level of formality for each character.

Added writing opportunities will include a character description, a setting description and an information text.

Physical Education: Multi-skills and fundamentals of movement

This half term, year 6 will be learning the skills of agility, movement patterns at different speeds, balance and hand-eye coordination in PE. They will be running with good form, varying pace dependent on race length and pass/receive the baton in motion.

Mathematics:

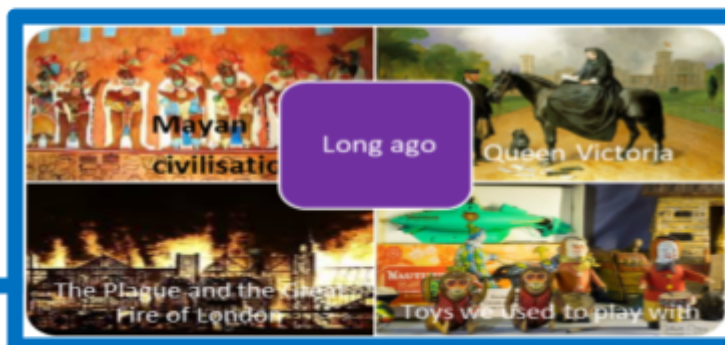
Over the next term, Year 6 will be consolidating their knowledge in the areas of: multiplication and division strategies, percentages, time, shape and coordinates, as well as measurement. Children will continue to practise their times tables recall.

In addition to tackling these National Curriculum objectives, the children will be challenged to apply their newly taught knowledge through challenges, problem solving activities and mathematical investigations.

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Spring 1 Term



Long Ago: (Curriculum focus) - History

In their history topic this half term, the pupils will be studying the ancient civilisation of the Maya. This will include:

- Where are they from?
- When are they from?
- Why were they so successful?
- Why was chocolate so important to them?
- What was life like for a Mayan?

Religious Education:

In RE this half-term, we will be looking at the concept of POWER. They will be able to explain what people might mean by power, how God's power is significant for Christians and Muslims. They will be to explain believes' interpretations of God's power as well as their own responses to the concept of power. Finally, they will explain how power affects their own and other people's lives.

Create:

Music: In music this half-term the children will be developing greater accuracy in pitch and control; identifying pitches within an octave when singing and using knowledge of pitch to develop confidence when singing in parts.

Modern Foreign Languages - French

This half-term, year 6 will be covering:

- how the French celebrate 'La Fete des Rois
- the irregular verb - aller (to go)
- transportation
- how to say how we travel to school
- school in France
- school routines and timetables
- school subjects and discuss which ones we prefer
- revising our numbers to 50
- Dictionary work

HOMEWORK

This half term the children will be getting 2 pieces of homework on a weekly basis. The homework will include spelling and 2 of either maths, reading comprehension or SPaG. This will be given on a Thursday and expected in the following Tuesday. The children are expected to be practising times tables as well as reading regularly during the week.

STEM

Science:

Topic: Energy - Light and Reflection

Children in year 6 will be Proving that light travels in a straight line, and use this information to explain observations of reflection and shadows. Pupils will investigate the effect of moving an object away from the surface it casts a shadow on and the relationship between the incoming and reflected rays on a mirrored surface. They will be exploring real uses of mirrors and apply what they have learned about light throughout the unit.

Computing:

Web page creation (creating media)

This half term children in year 6 will be covering variables in games. They will be exploring variables when designing and coding a game.

PSHE:

In PSHE this half-term, year 6 will be looking at valuing difference. We will be looking at: 1) OK to be different; 2) We have more in common than not; 3) Respecting differences; 4) Tolerance and respect for others; 5) Challenging gender stereotypes.

No Outsiders - we will be looking at The king of the sky by Nicola Davis, which focuses on immigration. The children will learn to show empathy and what immigration is.