

English / Literacy

Units of work:

- Arguments/ Discussion
- Newspaper reports
- Narratives
- Diaries/ Letters

We will be basing work on 2 texts 'The Princess Blankets' by Carol Ann Duffy and 'Pig Heart Boy' by Mallory Blackman .

The children will be analysing the features of the genres listed, developing their understanding and use of vocabulary, sentence structure and punctuation as appropriate to each style of writing. They will have regular opportunities for extended writing and will continue to develop their understanding and application of VCOP (Vocabulary, Connectives, Openers and Punctuation).

Handwriting, grammar and spelling knowledge will be built on and developed, both within the literacy lesson and during discrete teaching sessions. The children will take part in regular reading comprehension sessions which will involve learning how to answer SATs style reading questions.

Year 6 Mrs Birch/Mrs Sharp



Term: Spring 2019

Maths/ Numeracy

This term the children's learning will focus on the following curriculum areas:

- Negative numbers and problem solving.
- Calculation using all four operations with decimals and money.
- Calculating with fractions.
- Ratio and Proportion
- Measurement (perimeter, area and volume).
- Calculating with large numbers..
- Percentages, decimals and fractions.
- Algebra (simple formulae).
- Measurement (area and volume).
- Line graphs and pie charts.

Reasoning, explaining and problem-solving strategies are key learning priorities this term.

The children will have frequent maths quizzes that include questions from across the curriculum. They will also complete regular arithmetic and reasoning tests which will help to prepare them for their SATs tests.

Other Curriculum Subjects

Science: Circulation System -Heart and Lungs - identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the of the heart, blood vessels and blood; recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.

Electricity: In this unit we will learn how to construct simple series circuits. We will compare and give reasons for variations in how components (for example, switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors) function and investigate what happens when they are added. We will learn how to represent a simple circuit in a diagram using recognised symbols.

Geography/ Mountains - how they are formed / physical features/ climate / tourism.

History : Early Civilisations (Ancient Greece) - In this unit, we will learn who the Ancient Greek people were, when they lived and where and how they established their empire. We will investigate life in Athens and contrast it to life in Sparta. They will also learn about and order events from the Battle of Marathon and write in role to present the events from a specific viewpoint.

Computing: Children will learn how to stay safe online, develop their understanding of spreadsheets and data bases . How to research study areas in other topics.

DT/Art– 3D form (Containers)- We will be looking at examples of ceramics and use our sketch book to record observations. We will study geometric forms and patterns in Greek pottery and learn different techniques to produce a container based on our history topic. We will look at drawing techniques connected to themes in The Princess Blankets

RE: Children will be taking part in a range of activities to help them answer the following questions: "Is it better to express your beliefs in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?" "What matters most to Christians and Humanists?"

PSHE: We will complete the unit "Getting on and falling out" and 'Good to be me' to develop social and emotional skills.

Music: Children will be taking part in Key Stage singing assemblies and formal music lessons every week with Mrs Murphy.

PE: Children will be taught Fit for Learning with the Onside Coaches every **Wednesday - Children will need to continue bringing in their PE kits please.**