

Year 6 Newsletter

March 2024

Although this half term is very short, lots of exciting things have happened already! On Thursday 29th February, Year 6 went to the beach as part of our outdoor learning. We went on a walk and explored the surroundings. The following week was World Book Day. We had our book tasting sessions on Monday and the children were able to explore books from different time periods.

Key diary dates for this half term:

Week beginning the 11th March- Mock SATs week

Monday 11th March, Wednesday 13th March- parents evening

Week beginning the 18th March- RSE week (we will be learning about prejudice)

Homework

A reminder about homework. The children are set a piece of maths, grammar and reading homework each week. They get it on a Thursday and it is due in the following Thursday. If they lose their homework, there are always spare copies which they can take! On a Thursday, we mark the homework together in class and go through any misconceptions, so it is important that children remember to bring it in with them. They may also bring it in early! For each piece of homework the child completes, they receive a dojo point!

Each week, they are also expected to read and record it in their reading diary and they have spellings to learn (these are in their spelling logbooks).

A note about SATs

In May, the children will be taking part in their end of KS2 tests. As you are aware, each half term we do a series of mock SATs using old test papers. The purpose of this is twofold: first we wish to take away the pressure of the SATs tests and if they are something the children are used to do doing, it makes it less stressful for them and secondly, we need to see how they respond to the test papers and what interventions we can put in place to help them. We would like to reiterate that the SATs are not something which your child should feel anxious about. We only ask that the children do their best!

Teaching and learning

We will be covering the following this half term:

Maths – Area and perimeter, algebra, statistics

English – The Templeton Twins (own sarcastic chapters)

Science – Living things and their habitats

Art – Inuit Art and environmental art

Music – Film music

French – Planning a French Holiday

PE – Dance, gymnastics

Games – golf, netball

RE – Islam

Humanities – History- World At War (WW2 focus) Geography- frozen kingdoms

Computing – Creating films

PSHE – Healthy Me

Useful websites to aid learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/worksheets/index.php> (this website has free downloadable worksheets to help with arithmetic)

TT Rockstars

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/primary-grammar-glossary-parents> (This website has a glossary of grammar terms. If you then click on the link on each part, it will take you to an expanded definition with examples)