



PE Days

All - Tuesday

Valiant and Invincible - Thursday

Daring and Courageous - Friday

What are we learning?

Year 6 Spring 1

Meet the Team

Teachers - Miss Stoneman (Lead), Mrs Gray, Miss Dickie, Mrs Ali,
LSAs - Mrs Wiseman, Mrs Fudge, Miss Campbell, Mrs Bowles

Year Overview

Autumn 1 Antarctica	Autumn 2 Ancient Greeks	Spring 1 United Kingdom	Spring 2 Crime and Punishment	Summer 1 Fieldwork: Southsea	Summer 2 Battle of Britain
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Homework Expectations

Weekly spellings, My Maths and Times Tables Rock Stars homework (Monday to Monday).

Daily reading at home - we encourage pupils to complete their own reading records.

Upcoming Diary Dates

First day of term : 8th January

Year 6 football tournament : 11th January

Half term : 12th February - 16th February

Spelling and Phonics

Year 6 will continue the phonics and spelling work from last term. Interventions and booster groups to help improve spelling and phonics for those who need additional help, will also continue.

We will use our daily spelling lessons to practice the statutory spellings for Year 3 and 4 as well as Year 5 and 6.

Children will be encouraged to integrate their spelling knowledge into their writing lessons to ensure they use a wide vocabulary and apply this to their learning.

Shared Reading

In Shared Reading, we will be developing our inference, summary and explanation skills in order to be able to effectively answer questions about our new text 'Mother Earth is Weeping'. We will also be focusing on identifying and understanding a range of new vocabulary which we will then apply to a variety of contexts.

English

In English, we will be learning about documentaries and mockumentaries. Children will build on their grammatical skills to help them write a commentary script relating to the video 'The Majestic Plastic Bag'. To support this process, children will explore and analyse a range of similar texts before planning and writing their own version based on an environmental issue.

Maths

In maths, we will be learning about shape with a specific focus on perimeter and area. Throughout the half term, children will apply this knowledge in a range of contexts as well as exploring statistics and multi-step problems. Additionally, we will continue to consolidate our arithmetic knowledge through the use of the four operations.

PE/Music/Art

PE days are Tuesday and Thursday for Valiant and Invincible classes whilst for Daring and Courageous classes, it is Tuesdays and Fridays. In music lessons, children will explore body percussion and learn new methods to create rhythm through movement and sound. Our art lessons will allow us to explore a range of artists and the meaning behind their art.

Science/Computing

In science, we will be learning about evolution and inheritance. We will consider the importance of Charles Darwin in developing understanding of this knowledge and recognizing how these concepts changed over time. In Computing, we will be learning to use the programme 'Python' and understanding how to create a variety of digital commands.

Spanish/RE/PSHE

Our Spanish focus this half term is to learn how to talk about ourselves and the subjects that we learn about in school. Our PSHE unit is 'Keeping Safe'. This includes understanding the risks of peer pressure, alcohol and illegal drugs. In RE, we will be studying Buddhism and considering how Buddhists believe we can achieve true peace.

Geography

In geography, we will name and locate the geographical regions as well as the human and physical features of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland. We will also be comparing the human and physical features of Northern Ireland and prairie provinces in Canada. We will identify topographical features of the United Kingdom including canals and lakes.