

Dear families,

Welcome to summer term in Year 6. We have an exciting term ahead!

The adults supporting your children in class are as follows:

6MH: Mrs Martin, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Gardiner

6L: Miss Lambert and Mrs Seal

P.E days are Wednesdays and Fridays; please send your children into school in their P.E kit on these days.

Read on below to find out what your children will be learning this term.

English

Year 6 will start by writing an explanation text about the circulatory system. They will then move on to working on writing dialogue looking at extracts from *The Northern Lights*. After this they will write newspaper reports linked to *Letters from the Lighthouse* (whole class book) and their WWII history topic. Later, they will develop their fiction and non-fiction skills through focused work on narrative and letter writing.

The children will continue to take part in whole class reading lessons. These lessons focus in on reading techniques such as answering questions, using evidence and quotes from the text and explaining what this implies. In year 6, they need to read beyond the literal text and use inference skills.

Maths

This term in maths, Year 6 will focus on position and direction, learning to read and plot coordinates in all four quadrants. They will also draw, translate, and reflect simple shapes on the coordinate plane. After SATs, our maths lessons will consolidate our learning throughout the year, deepening our learning through problem solving and projects.

Science

This term in Science we will be looking at 'living things and their habitats', focusing on how to classify organisms. We will start with looking at animals and the different ways to classify them according to their characteristics, habitats and diet. Using this knowledge, we will use and create different types of classification keys to help us identify a range of living things, moving on to study the work of Carl Linnaeus and how the Linnaean System classifies animals. To end the unit, we will be looking at microorganisms and investigate the conditions in which these can grow.

Other subjects

As part of our history topic 'WWII', we continue to learn about the two sides of the war: 'The Front Line' and 'The Home Front'. When studying 'The Front Line' we will explore and discuss the reasons why and the events leading up to the war starting as well as other key information such as countries involved, chronology and details of key events such as D-Day and the evacuation of Dunkirk. In 'The Home Front' we will focus on the ways in which the war impacted on people's everyday lives such as rationing, the Blitz, evacuation and the role of women.

Trips and events

This term is a busy one for year 6; at the start of the term the children will complete their SATs (11th-15th May) where they can show off all the hard work and learning they have done over the year. On the Friday of that week, there is a bowling trip organised to celebrate all the children's hard work. In June, we have an exciting trip to Duxford to further embed and extend our learning on WWII. Following this, there will be a range of events throughout the term including an end of year leavers performance and prom.