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Dear Parents and Carers,

This Spring Term in Year 6...

Welcome to the second term of Year 6. Please have a look at the exciting topics we will be learning about this term! Below is a summary of this term's curriculum, forthcoming activities and homework timetable.

English

In English, this term we will be using various narratives as a basis for exploring different aspects of writing. Our first narrative will be 'Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief' by Rick Riordan. After half term, we will be studying 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. Throughout the different units, the children will have the opportunity to explore various styles and genres of writing including newspaper articles, diary entries and narratives.



Maths



In Maths, we will be looking at statistics, the order of operations as well as ratio and proportion. We will also be revisiting fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be looking at the properties of shapes and calculating the volume and area of shapes. Other areas of focus will include: recognising and finding angles, reflection and translation of shapes as well as measure. Throughout the term, there will be a strong emphasis on securing our knowledge of the four operations and developing their reasoning skills.

Science

Our Science lessons will be based on animals and their habitats. We will be looking at the various organisms and how they are classified. During Spring 2, the focus will be on exploring the British Science Week theme – 'Change and Adapt'. British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. We will be exploring the pivotal role that concepts of time play in scientific understanding. The programme places science, engineering and technology firmly in context by directly relating content to our everyday lives and experiences.

Computing

This term we explore the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. The children will learn what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed.

History

We will be studying the Ancient Greeks. We will be looking at different aspects of life in Ancient Greece as we investigate the legacy that this ancient civilisation has left on modern civilisation. We will also be looking at the Ancient Greek myths and legends as well as the Greek gods and goddesses.

D & T and Art

In art, the children will be exploring the world of 'contemporary African recycled art' and studying the artists who transform waste into stunning pieces of art. The children will then have the opportunity to design and create their own pieces of art using recycled waste products. After half term, we will move on to D&T, where we shall be developing our cutting, joining and designing skills to create a Greek inspired photo frame.



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Music

In Music, we will be looking at music genres. We will recap the history and origin of the different music genres and various artists that the children have studied throughout their time at Fair Field. There will be both practical and theoretical components that the children will engage with as we look at voice as an instrument.



Spanish

In Spanish, we will be developing basic vocabulary and taking part in simple conversations as we look at the topic 'Tienes una mascota?' The interactive nature of the lesson allows children to practise speaking, reading and writing Spanish as they develop their understanding of a topic.

RE

In RE, we will be discussing the question 'If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?' We will be looking at the role that different places of worship play within different faiths and how different places of worship are structured and laid out.

PSHE

In PSHE this term, we will be spending a lot of time discussing our dreams and goals. We will be spending time together establishing new goals and targets for the year before going on to explore our dreams for our world as we look at some of the global issues currently facing our planet.

PE and Games

The children will need to wear their PE kit to school on Wednesdays and on a Thursday. In games, they will be working on a unit based around invasion games through tag rugby. 6 Emerald will be taking part in gymnastics, and will be learning floor routines, using equipment, developing different ways to travel and exploring cannon and unison. 6 Olive will be attending Habs to use their swimming pool, focusing on water safety and developing lifeguarding skills alongside water competency.

Homework

Homework is set each half term. Children are expected to spend 20 minutes on their homework every day. They should complete as much as they can in this time, if they do not complete the whole task it can be signed off by an adult.

The structure of the homework has been set as follows:

Reading: Your child should spend time reading every day and should be reading to an adult at least twice a week. We will be checking reading records each Monday.

Homework: This will be given out on a Thursday and needs to be submitted by the following Tuesday.

SATS Boot camp: Each child has been provided with a username and password for this website and children are encouraged to use this platform as a tool to help them prepare and revise for their SATS tests which take place in May 2024.

If you have any questions, please feel free to discuss them with us.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Gray & Miss Farran

Year 6 Teachers