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How can you help your child?

The children will get homework most weeks. This homework is important as it gives them the opportunity to practise what they have learned in school.

Complete homework neatly and hand it in on time.

Each week, the children will bring a set of spellings from the Year 5 and 6 list to practise at home. There will be a weekly spelling test. This term, we will be revising spelling rules.

Please try to ensure that your child:

- Is at school, on time, for the start of school each day,
- Has the correct school uniform and P.E kit,
- Brings their reading book and journal into school each day.

Encourage them to do their best in every lesson and work as hard as possible!

Try to hear your child read as much as possible and sign their reading journal each time.

Members of staff

-  Mrs Gee (Class teacher)
-  Miss Ash (Class teacher)
-  Mrs Poole and Mrs Bennett
-  Mrs Tolley and Mrs Jones

Year 6 Autumn Term

Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you had a lovely summer break.

Year 6 is a vital year in your child's education and an important part in your child's development and progress towards next year at secondary school.

This leaflet offers information about what your child will be learning this term.

English

The children will continue to develop their comprehension skills in reading – using inference and deduction to answer questions about the text. They will discuss the language and structural features of books – considering how authors use language to create effect and the differences and similarities between text types. We will be reading Goodnight Mr Tom by Michelle Magorian.

In writing activities, the children will be working extremely hard to improve the skills they need to write interestingly and successfully in different genres. They will be encouraged to: use powerful vocabulary and complex punctuation; write complex sentences using varying clause structures and a range of cohesive devices.

Theme

The theme for this term will be World War 2. The children will learn about the factors that led to the start of the war and find out about the countries that were involved.

We will research life during World War 2 and how key events changed the British way of life, look at the factors to why war broke out and how evacuees felt, the home front, the impact of rationing and the Blitz.

What can evidence from the past tell us about what life was like then? Who were the key figures during World War 2? How did the war affect the lives of people during this time? How can acts of war ever be justified?

What does it mean to be Jewish? What is the significance of food and festivals to Judaism?

Science

In science this term we will be studying evolution and inheritance. They will be able to:

- recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
- recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents
- identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment and that adaptation may lead to evolution

They will plan enquiries, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary; take measurements with increasing accuracy and precision and use test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests.

Music

This year we are working with Junior Jam. The children will be learning how to create beats using software on iPads. They will learn to understand the technical language involved with music and will work towards creating their own piece of music.

Useful Websites:

- www.bbc.co.uk/schools
- www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk
- www.mathszone.co.uk
- www.ict.games.co.uk
- www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/
- www.studychamps.com/interactive-activities/english-interactive
- www.grammar-monster.com/

Maths

The children will continue to develop calculation skills and use these to solve multi-step problems – choosing the appropriate operation and method. They will work with fractions, decimals, percentages, negative numbers and integers to 10,000,000.

The children will learn how to: convert between standard units of measure; find missing angles in triangles and on straight lines; describe positions on the full coordinate grid and draw and translate simple shapes and interpret and construct pie charts and line graphs.

P.E

In the first half term the children will be learning invasion games E.G. football, basketball. Then in the second half of this term the lessons will move on to dance.

Don't Forget...

- The Library is free and a fantastic resource. Our nearest library is:
Snow Hill, City Centre, Wolverhampton WV1 3AX
01902 552025
- Spelling tests are every Thursday.
- PE kits must be in school every Thursday morning.
- Homework will be handed out on a Friday and is due in the following Wednesday.
- Achievers assemblies are held on a Friday morning.
- Reading journals need to be signed 3 times per book.