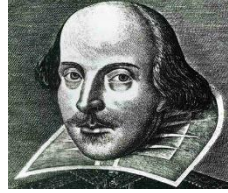


Year 6 Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely summer break and are feeling rested and ready to go. Our exciting topics for this term are as follows:

English: To start the term we will be looking at suspense stories and using this to write our own stories as well as instructions. We will then begin our Shakespeare play work from mid-October until just after the performance in mid-November. We will be improving our grammar, punctuation and spelling skills and ensuring that we apply these skills in our writing. We will also be working on our comprehension skills through written comprehension work and our oral comprehension during Class Shared Reading work.



PE for this term will be on **Wednesdays** and **Fridays** so please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days.

Maths: We are continuing to build our mathematical skills through understanding place value, adding, subtracting and multiplying in columns, using protractors to measure angles in triangles, telling the time and converting units of time (e.g. how many minutes in two and a half hours). We will have one lesson a week dedicated to our arithmetic skills and will begin to hone our SAT busting skills in our SAT buster books.

PE: In Autumn Term 1 we will be having coaching sessions with the London Rugby Club as well as focusing on the PE fundamentals of co-ordination, agility and fitness. In Autumn Term 2 we will be focusing on gymnastics.



History: In Autumn term 1 we will be looking at the causes and consequences of World War I as well as what life was like for people at this time. In term 2 we will be learning about The Suffragette movement and their political campaigns effected democracy in the 19th century.

Geography: In Geography this term we will be starting by learning important geographical skills such as map reading, understanding timezones and how the quality of life and standards of living differ across the globe. In Autumn term 2 we will be focusing on British geographical issues such as pollution, climate change and waste.



Upcoming Events

- **Harvest Festival led by Yr 1 & 2 – 4th October 2024**
- **Parent's meetings 15th October & 17th October 2024**
- **Half Term – 28th October – 3rd November 2024**
- **Inset Day - 4th November 2024**
- **Datchet's got Talent – 15th November 2024**
- **Year 6 Class assembly 22nd November 2024**
- **Carol Service led by Yr 4 & 5 – 17th December 2024**
- **Christmas Dinner – 19th December 2024**
- **Last day of Term – 20th December 2024 (1.45pm finish)**



Science: We will be studying the human body and looking at how the heart pumps blood and oxygen around the body. In Autumn term 2 we will be looking at the classification of living things and what features they share that are unique to those groups.

Religion & Worldviews: In term 1 and term 2 we will be studying Christianity and investigating how Christians choose to live by asking the question what would Jesus do and understanding what do Christians believe that Jesus was the Messiah.

ICT: We will be finding out about computer systems and networks and creating webpages

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Activities to do at home:

Please read with your child regularly and record this in their reading records. Ask them questions to check their understanding.

Please encourage your child to tell the time regularly and look at bus and train timetables when possible as these often come up in the SATs tests and are skills for life.

Please also encourage your child to use **doodlemaths** and practice their times tables.

Homework:

Homework will consist of a maths and English SATs buster book and will be given on a **Friday** and is due in the following **Wednesday**. Homework will not be marked if it is handed in later than Wednesday. Children who have not done their homework will have to stay in at break to complete it to prepare them for senior school.

Spellings will be set on a **Friday** for a test the following **Friday**. Please also encourage your child to log onto **spelling frame** regularly.