Year 6 Autumn Term 2 Newsletter

Topic

Welcome back after the half term break! In history, we are continuing to learn about 'Why did the Vikings invade England?' with a focus on the Viking and Anglo Saxon Struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor.

English

This term we will be writing a balanced argument linked to the text, Wonder. We will also be writing a biography on Charles Darwin and a personification poem. We will be focussing on developing the children's vocabulary and choosing appropriate language based on the purpose of the piece of writing. The children will also have daily spellings lessons and weekly handwriting sessions, to improve their spelling and presentation of their work.

Maths

In maths, we will be learning about fractions, position and direction, ratio and proportion, and algebra. Alongside this we will also have weekly arithmetic sessions.

Science

Our science topic this term will be evolution and inheritance. When learning about inheritance we will explore; why living things produce offspring of the same kind, why offspring are not identical with each other or with their parents and understanding what is meant by DNA. The children will explore the process and the theory of evolution. We will use Charles Darwin as a scientist to support our learning.

RE

This half term our enquiry question in RE is 'How and why do Jewish communities celebrate their festivals?'. We will learn about what some Jewish festivals are and the stories behind why they are celebrated.

Computing

This half term in computing we are going to be focussing on online safety and spreadsheets.

PSHE

This half term we will begin by focusing on ourselves, growing and changing.

Art

This half term we will be drawing and painting butterflies and birds as linked to our science learning – inheritance and evolution.

French

In French we will be recapping numbers and learning to present ourselves in French.

PE

PE will be on Thursdays and Fridays this term. Please make sure that your child has the correct PE on these days. To remind you school PE kits are **red t-shirts, navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms and a pair of pumps/trainers.**

Homework

Homework will be sent **home on Friday and needs to be back in school on Monday**, please can you support your child to complete their homework and return it the following Monday so it can be marked.

Reading books

Please ensure that children bring their books into school every day as we aim to hear children read on a one to one basis as much as possible. We continue to ask that you support your child at home by listening to them read and whenever possible discussing the story that they have shared with you.

Times tables

Please ensure that children are practising their times tables at home. It is vital that the children know all of their times table facts and division facts.

Useful websites and links

www.ttrockstars.com

www.purplemash.com

www.century.tech

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