



Year 6 Summer 1 Newsletter.



Welcome back to Year 6, the Snow Leopards and Penguin classes, taught by Miss Moore and Mr Nicholls. We have an incredibly busy term with SATs starting on Monday 11th May until Thursday 14th. This is followed by the Year 6 residential to Walesby Forest on the 20th May. There are still a small number of places available if you are interested. Please contact the office for more information. Miss Birch will continue to teach Penguins on a Tuesday and Snow Leopards for parts of Wednesday and Thursday.



In English we will be reading

The Windrush Child by Benjamin Zephaniah.

This story follows a young boy named Leonard who travels from Jamaica to England in 1958 to join his parents. Excited at first, he soon faces a colder climate, unfamiliar surroundings, and racism. Through his experiences, the book shows both the challenges and resilience of Windrush children adapting to a new life in Britain.

In **Maths**, the pupils will be consolidating their mathematical knowledge over the next few weeks in preparation for SATs. There are lots of useful websites (such as BBC bitesize) to help your child recap their learning and we expect pupils to keep their arithmetic skills fresh by regularly accessing Times Tables Rock Stars from home.

In **PSHE**, Year 6 will be looking at how to build healthy and positive relationships and how to look after their own mental health. They will also be learning strategies to stay safe online.

In **Geography** this term, pupils will be learning about the physical and human geography of the Caribbean. We will be linking this to our English focus text by exploring the positive impact of immigration on the UK by people from the Caribbean.

In **Computing** this half term, pupils will be creating media 3D modelling.

In **DT**, pupils will be linking their learning to the science topic, electricity. They will be creating alarm systems using their knowledge of electricity.

REMINDERS

PE will be on a Wednesday for 6EM and Tuesday for 6PN. Please remember to come to school in your PE kit, including suitable trainers - crocs or sandals are **not** appropriate.

(Plain T-shirt, plain Joggers or Shorts and school cardigan/jumper).

Reading

Please continue to read at home as this is so important and helps children develop skills and a love of books. Record reading daily on the **Rainbow Reading** cards. Please bring reading books to school every day.

Tasks will be set weekly on **Spelling Shed**.

Other key information and key dates for your diary:

SATs

Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May

On those four days, we will be opening up early for Year 6 SATs breakfast at 8.15 am.

Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd Year 6 residential.

In **science**, pupils will draw and build circuits using batteries (cells), wires, bulbs, buzzers, and switches. They develop investigations to help build an understanding that components are arranged in a loop and how adding more bulbs or buzzers affects brightness or volume.

In **PE**, pupils will be challenging themselves to athletics and practising to throw, jump and run over a set distance.

What can you do to support your child's learning?

- **Ask questions about their learning that day - this is vital for embedding their learning and developing recall (daily)**
- **Times Tables Rockstars (daily)**
- **Spelling Shed (weekly)**
- **Read regularly (Record using the Rainbow Reading cards)**
- **BBC bitesize**
- **Take an interest in current affairs – watch and discuss the news together**

Thank you
Liz Moore and Phil Nicholls

Contacting the year 6 team

We are at the classroom door at drop off and pick up times and we are always happy to say hello or have a quick chat.

Call the office to pass on a message or ask for a call back. 0115 9152953

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