Year 6 Summer Term Curriculum Letter 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back and we hope you had a fantastic break. This letter will detail what our class will be learning over the coming term!

Although it is the children's last term at Primary School, there is still a lot of fun to be had as well as some more in-depth learning!

Our History topic this term is 'Harlow post World War Two.' We will be looking at the reasons why Harlow was built, who designed the town, how Harlow developed over time and what it was like for children growing up in Harlow. We will also be looking at what is needed when designing a new town.

In English, we will begin with instruction texts. We will also focus on non-fiction texts to gain a better understanding of our topic work. We will be writing recounts and narrative pieces. Furthermore, we will include our grammar and punctuation lessons within the English hour so that these skills can be practiced in the student's writing. Students will also focus on spelling and handwriting to prepare for the National Curriculum tests in the summer term.

In Maths, we will revise the units of place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, geometry, 2D and 3D shapes, ratio, and proportion as well as algebra to further prepare the students for the National Curriculum tests. There will be a lot of opportunities for students to develop their problem solving and reasoning skills.

In Art, our unit is People in Action. Children will evaluate the work of David Hockney and Harold Cohen and their influences, look at and talk about artists using digital media, kinetic art Op art, take digital photos thinking about angle, light, position and distance, gather ideas and record in sketch books including optical illusions and digital media, create a presentation on the theme 'Changes' using digital media that includes a range of optical illusions and evaluate their finished presentation for composition, design, effect and appeal.

In Science during the term, students will study The Human Body. We will be looking at the functions of the Circulatory System, The Heart and Exercise and Diet. They will discover through hands-on investigations through the development of their scientific enquiry skills. In RE, we will be looking at the belief and practices of Islam.

In PE, students will learn skills in striking and fielding as well as athletics. Students will also gain an understanding of efficient warming up activities before participating in physical activities. Students will also demonstrate a positive attitude in all games while learning to work together as a team. Students should have PE kits every Wednesday. Children can bring dark coloured jogging bottoms for outside P.E sessions which will happen often. Remember children should not wear jewellery in P.E sessions; they must remove their earrings and, for safety reasons, have a hair band to tie up long hair.



Homework will still be sent out on a Tuesday and will be expected to be returned the following Monday. Each week homework will consist of English and Maths which will reflect on their weekly subjects. Students should also practise their spellings, times tables and mental maths daily especially through TTRockstars, Spelling Shed. Furthermore, Y6s must read a minimum of twenty minutes an evening on top of their daily homework which should be 30 minutes an evening. The children will read an AR book throughout each term. All books completed must have AR quizzes completed at school.

Parents can come speak to me at any time but please keep in mind that the mornings will be for shorter conversations. If you would like to meet after school for a longer conversation, please let me know via the Class Dojo app.

Miss Stammers and Mrs Jones