

# Y6 Autumn Term

## English

In English, we will look at a range of genres and text types. Children will be developing their writing skills through writing news reports, emotive diary entries and narratives. To underpin their writing, we will be continuing to use a wide range of grammatical structures, punctuation and adventurous vocabulary. Reading is a crucial part of writing and we will continue to work on reading skills within school, applying skills across the curriculum in maths, topic and science

### TOPIC

During topic lessons this term, we are going to be Adventurers. Combining two topics (Darwin's Delights and Frozen Kingdom), we are going to investigate different parts of the world to explore different environments and the achievements of the people who discovered them. Throughout the topic, the children will also have opportunities to complete their own research using a range of sources as well as furthering their knowledge of continents around the world and the people who inhabit remote regions. Many of the tasks they complete this term will allow the children to develop their creative skills, working with a range of new art media, including creating carvings, as well as Arctic landscapes.

## Maths

During maths lessons this term, we will cover a range of topics which will allow the children in Year 6 to apply their number skills, taught through the CLIC in BIG MATHS, in a range of situations. Alongside developing quick calculation strategies, in preparation for a 30 minute mental arithmetic test, we will be working on developing reasoning skills. We are aiming for children to be able to fully explain, prove, justify and generalise their understanding within maths. In order for the children to build confidence and develop speed and accuracy when using their times tables, we ask you to seize opportunities to practise and learn both the multiplication and division facts up to x 12

PE Sessions will be on a Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Aston, Mrs Davies, Miss Jassal

# KS2 Curriculum Information

## Homework

Every child has a homework record book to record their daily tasks in. They will complete this with the teacher. It will be the child's responsibility to make sure the book is in school every day.

### Children are set regular tasks

**Task 1—Learn its**—each week the children will have focus 'learn its' to learn. They need to be able to instantly recall the fact, without working it out. Say it, write it, recall it.

**Task 2—Spellings**—children will be given weekly spellings to learn. Look, cover, write, check.

**Task 3— TT Rockstars**—children will be asked to take part in activities to work their way up the leader board and try to reach the Leighswood 'Hall of Fame'

**Task 4—Reading**—Children should be reading every night and recording what they have read in their reading records. In Y3 and Y4 we ask that an adult supports them. By Y5 and Y6, fluent readers can keep their own records. However, we ask that all children read to an adult at least once a week.

### Reading books and reading records should be in school every day.

**Task 5**—Each term the class will be set a topic homework project.

## Tuck and Lunches

Children are able to purchase toast for 20p. Money should be sent to the KS2 office in a named envelope the Friday before.

Children can bring in a healthy snack for morning break—a piece of fruit or a breakfast bar for example.

Packed lunches should be healthy and balanced. Water is available.

## Feeding Brains

We encourage the children to bring a sports style bottle to school filled with water as it is scientifically proved that sipping water throughout the day can hydrate the brain and as a result help the children learn.

In our quest to cut down on the amount of plastics we use in school, we ask that children bring a refillable bottle only.

## PE

Every child takes part in PE lessons. They need blue shorts and a yellow T-shirt as well as pumps or suitable trainers in school every day. One afternoon a week, the children work with a specialist sports coach on a wide range of skills. Weather permitting, this session will mainly take place outside. So in addition to their PE kits, when the weather is cold, children may also wear black/blue jogging bottoms and sweatshirts.

Throughout the year, the children will also have additional morning PE sessions with their class teacher and one year group each term will also visit Oak Park for swimming lessons.

Children should remove ear-rings and watches and long hair should be tied back.

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