

Spring 2 2021 Newsletter

Class: 6



Theme

This half-term, our Year 6 theme is Islamic civilisation.

Key question: *How has Islamic Civilisation shaped the world that we live in today?*

English

Your child will:

- Write through a range of genres including character descriptions, narratives and diaries.
- Use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose, that or with an implied (ie omitted) relative pronoun.
- Use a wider range of subordinating conjunctions (e.g in case, once, provided that, since, whereas) and connecting adverbs (e.g. consequently, furthermore, instead, nonetheless, overall, subsequently) to start sentences.
- Use a range of punctuation for clarity and parenthesis (brackets, dashes, ellipsis, commas, exclamation marks, inverted commas, colons, semi colons).
- Use brackets, dashes, semi-colons and commas accurately.
- Select from a wide range of imaginative and ambitious vocabulary and can use it precisely.
- Maintain tense and where needed, change tense for effect.
- Plan my writing to ensure that I have clear, logically sequenced ideas across a range of genres.
- Effectively use layout devices (e.g headings, sub-headings, columns, bullet points, tables.)
- Use a range of clause structures sometimes carrying their position with a sentence.
- Use preposition phrases and effectively to add detail, qualification and precision.
- Develop characters through dialogue.
- Use a range of figurative language including metaphors and personification.

Mathematics

Your child will:

Fractions, decimals and percentages

- Use common factors to simplify fractions; use common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination
- Compare and order fractions, including fractions >1
- Add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers, using the concept of equivalent fractions
- Multiply simple pairs of proper fractions, writing the answer in its simplest form
- Divide proper fractions by whole numbers
- Associate a fraction with division and calculate decimal fraction equivalents for a simple fraction.
- Identify the value of each digit in numbers given to three decimal places and multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1,000 giving answers are up to three decimal places
- Multiply one-digit numbers with up to 2 decimal places by whole numbers
- Use written division methods in cases where the answer has up to 2 decimal places
- Solve problems which require answers to be rounded to specified degrees of accuracy
- Recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages, including in different contexts.

Wider Curriculum-Please see over page

Notices

Year 6's P.E. sessions will continue to be on a **Friday**. Please make sure that your child wears their PE kit to school on their designated PE day. Please ensure that your child is also wearing the correct school PE kit.

Due to Covid-19 safety measures windows will be open in the classroom to help with ventilation. Please make sure your child is wearing a jumper to ensure they do not feel cold throughout the day.

Reminders

Reading

Across school we expect the children to read for 10 minutes, **daily**, at home as this will substantially develop their progress in all areas. We have reading rewards each week for children who have been reading at home on a regular basis. After hearing your child read talk to them about what they have just read to check their understanding. Children must remember to bring their reading diary to school with them every day.

Spellings

Spellings will be sent home on a **Monday** and tested on the following **Friday**. It is important that your child can spell them, read them and if confident, they may like to use them to write a sentence. Spelling is a key part of the Year 6 SATs and therefore, is an essential part of home learning. Your child can use their password from last year. If they have forgotten it, I will issue them with a new one. Please find the website below.

<https://play.spellingshed.com/#/login>

Timestable:

Timestables are crucial in supporting your child's mathematical knowledge and understanding. Your child will be set a focus timestable every Monday and will be tested the following Monday. To support them in learning their timestables, we will be continuing with TTRockstars this year and your child will still be able to access their account from home using their username and passwords from last year.

Maths/English/Science/Topic:

Your child will be given English, Maths and topic homework tasks each week. They have a homework file and will be given homework every Friday to take home in this file. Homework will be given out each **Friday** and will need to be completed by the following **Thursday**.

How Can You Help?

You can help you child by listening to them read daily, testing them on their timestables and spellings. Here are some websites which you could use to support home learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>
<https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/>

Other

We hope that you have all had a lovely half term break. We are looking forward to continuing our learning in the classroom and have lots of exciting lessons planned this half term.

We value the support of all parents and carers. If you feel that you can help in any way with the work we are covering then please let us know or if you would like any further information regarding this term's curriculum please do not hesitate to contact school. Thank you.

Miss Wraight, Miss Lees, Miss Dunne and Miss Brown.