

Week beginning

14.12.2020

Year 6 Newsletter



STAR moments

We have had a very exciting term in year 6. Here are some of our highlights:

Now Press Play - Ancient Greece Experience.

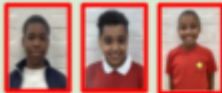


As journalists, we published our newspaper reports on Alexander the Great's victory in the Battle of Issus.



We designed Inter-Faith mugs to celebrate our diversity.

We elected our pupil leaders and School Councillors.



We celebrate World Children's Day on 20th November and even had some blue cake!

We also celebrated Human Rights Day where we reflected on the importance of valuing and respecting the rights of every individual.



This week's learning...



We are really excited to launch our new topic after the Christmas holidays...The Earth Our Home.

In Maths, we will be learning about measures and will be familiar with the units of measurement for distance, length and capacity. We will learn how to convert across the different units of measurement and will be able to solve multi-step word problems. As part of this week's work the children will also calculate the perimeter of regular and compound shapes.

As readers, we will be honing in on our inference skills and looking at how and why authors choose particular vocabulary to describe characters and events in the text. We will be reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts focusing on the themes of climate change.

As writers, we will be learning how to use persuasive language and writing techniques such as emotive language, the rule of three, repetition, figurative language and rhetorical questions. We will be using these skills to demand action on the climate crisis. We will also be looking at the global activism of Greta Thunberg and the environmental group Extinction Rebellion.

As Geographers, we will be investigating volcanoes and earthquakes. We will be plotting tectonic plates on a world map and look at how the movement of the plates creates incredible amounts of energy that shapes the planet's surface.

In Art, we will be exploring fauna and flora; natural textures and objects as well as exploring different colours and materials that are linked to climate change.

In Science, we will be investigating the impact that climate change is having on our environment, plants, nature and animals. We will be conducting an experiment to test the effects of climate change.

In Computing, our big question will be: How can we 'be the change' and combat global warming? We will be working on creating a podcast as an Extinction Rebellion activist.

In RE, we will be learning about different beliefs and world views on the concept of life and life after death.

Don't forget!

PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE

Please make sure you send your child into school every day unless they are ill. If they are unwell, please phone the office that morning and keep us updated if their absence will continue. If they are well enough, they should be accessing all learning on Google Classroom. Your child knows how to log in.

School starts at 7:50am. All pupils must be in the classroom by this time, ready to start their learning.

Christmas Cards:

If your child would like to give out Christmas cards this year, please ask them to bring the cards into school and give them to the class teacher. The cards will be kept safe for 72 hours and then handed out to the class.

Class Christmas Parties will be held Thursday 17th December - Children should not bring anything with them this year, in order to stay in line with COVID guidelines.



Over to you...Home learning

CGP Reading - Poetry

Text: 'Lost Dog' Questions on p6-7.
Text: 'The Gentleman in Grey' Questions p10-13.

CGP Maths

Multiplying/Dividing by 10/100/1000. Pages 17-18.
Multiples/Factors. Pages 23-24.
Prime Numbers. Page 25.
Square/Cube Numbers. Page 26.

Please complete all your homework and bring your homework books to school on **Wednesday 6th January 2021.**

Please continue your online learning on Mathletics, TT Rockstars, Oxford Owl Spellings and Bug Club.



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