

Important Events

Monday 7th January: Term begins

Thursday 24th January – Year 6 trip to London Zoo

Friday 28th January – 1st February: STEM week

Friday 1st February – STEM fair to showcase work

Friday 1st February: El Salvador class assembly

Friday 8th February: Espana class assembly

Wednesday 13th February: Family conference (2.00-7.00pm) School closes at 1.45pm

Friday 15th February: Term ends

Monday 25th February: Spring 2 term begins

Homework

Homework is handed out on Friday and should be returned the following Wednesday. Homework will consist of tasks that will consolidate the work they have learned that week and from time to time, a challenge related to their topics. A regular part of homework will be weekly spellings, this is preparation for their spelling test every Friday but we will practice them **daily**. Your children have received their Reading Journals which should be brought into school every day. It is also essential that your child practices their times tables every day. In year 6 the expectation is to recall all their times tables facts up to 12 x 12. All children now have their Rockstars times tables login. Please encourage your child to use Rockstars regularly. It is a fantastic way for children to practise their times tables. **It is important that your child does their homework – please help them by making sure they have time to do it.**

P.E

P.E days will be on **Monday** and **Wednesday** for El Salvador

P.E days will be on **Monday** and **Thursday** for Espana

Please ensure that your child has their full P.E kit.



Year six Spring 1 Term Curriculum Newsletter

We are Year six!

It's 2019! Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely break and are fully rested and ready for another busy term. Last term we learnt so much about the Mayan civilization in humanities and about what our bodies need to stay healthy in science. We also became fanatical about fractions in maths and we wrote some fantastic biographies in English.

This term we have our STEM after school club beginning. We will also still be offering all of our sporting after school clubs as well as Debate Mate, homework club and pattern making club.

If you have any concerns or questions, please talk to us briefly before or after school. If you want a longer discussion, please ring the school office to make an appointment or come and see us in the playground to set a convenient time.

We cannot wait for all the fantastic learning we know will take place this term. We are ready to work hard and we hope that your children are too!

Miss Bruce and Miss Mackey.

In English we will be using all of our literary techniques to write amazing, powerful speeches. We will also be performing these and thinking about how they should be read. Having written fantastic formal letters, this term we will be exploring how writing an informal letter would be different. We will also be using our creative imaginations to write our own poems.

What descriptive devices could we use in imagery poetry?

PSHE & RE

In PSHE, our topic will be 'Let's Work, where we will learn about making democratic decisions and being a responsible citizen.

In RE, the class will explore how we make moral choices through looking at the religions of Islam, Hinduism, Judaism and Christianity.

We will be focusing on design and technology this term. We will explore, design and then build our own bridges to cross a river. We will need to think about how to ensure it is stable, usable and durable.

We will be learning about how to ask questions when using different transportation or wanting to go on holiday!

A que hora sale el avion para....?

We will continue to focus our attention on decimals and how to add and subtract them. We will then use this knowledge to help us with our learning about percentages. We will explore how to find percentages of different numbers and then apply them to real-life situations. We will also begin our exploration of algebra; how to create and solve algebraic equations.

How is an algebraic equation different to an equation?

Maths

Decimals
Percentages
Algebra

English

Powerful speeches
Informal letter
Imagery poetry

Art and DT

Building bridges

Spanish

We will have a fantastic opportunity to work with coaches from Middlesex cricket club during our PE lessons this term. We will learn how to bat, field and bowl effectively. We will also be continuing with gymnastics, building on our learning from Autumn term.

How do you score runs in cricket?



Saving the world!

Physical
Development
Cricket &
gymnastics

Science

Living things and their habitats

Music

We will continue to learn the guitar with Ken.

Humanities

Saving the world!
(Climate change)

Our learning will focus on climate change. We will examine the human impact of climate change: how communities around the world are being affected by climate change and how people are responding and adapting to these challenges. We will think about our role and how we can take action against climate change as responsible citizens of the world. How could we reduce our footprint on the planet?

ICT

Around the world!

We will be building on our learning to try to design, write and debug programs that accomplish specific goals.