

Important Events

Clubs begin: Monday 19th September 2022

PGL Parent Meeting: Thursday 22nd September 2022

Espana Class Assembly: Friday 23rd September 2022

Black History Month Launch: Friday 30th September 2022

National Inclusion Week: Monday 26th September 2022

Dyslexia awareness week: Monday 3rd October 2022

National Poetry Day: Thursday 6th October 2022

PGL: Monday 10th October - Friday 14th October 2022

Parents' Evening: Thursday 20th October 2022 - Children finish at 1:30

Half term: Monday 24th October- Friday 28th October 2022

INSET day: Monday 31st October 2022

Children return to school: Tuesday 1st November 2022



Year Six Autumn Term El Salvador & Espana Curriculum Newsletter



Homework

Homework is handed out on **Friday** and should be returned the following **Wednesday**. Homework consists of English and Maths tasks that will consolidate the work they have learned that week and a literacy task.

All homework will now be on Google Classrooms. Children will have lessons in class on how to upload work. If you do not have access to a computer device or internet, we will continue to give homework in books for your child.

Also, please practise the **times tables** with your child. Our focus this half term is: 2X, 4X, 8X, 5X, 10X, 3X, 6X and counting in 25s and 100s. Please encourage your child to use the Timestable Rockstars app to support their timetables learning.

It is essential that your child **reads every day**. Reading is a fantastic way for your children to expand their vocabulary, increase their knowledge and improve their writing. **They should complete in their Home Reading Journal at least 5 times a week and should bring it to school every day.**

It is important that your child does their homework - please help them by making sure they have time to do it.

PE

This year, Year 6 will be going swimming each week. Swimming for both Espana and El Salvador is on **Tuesday**. It is vital every child has their swimming kit in school on Tuesdays (including a swimming hat).

In addition to swimming, each class will complete an outdoor PE lesson in school. For Espana, this will be on a **Friday** and El Salvador a **Thursday**. Your child's P.E kit must contain a white t-shirt and either blue or black shorts or tracksuit bottoms. Plimsolls or plain trainers must be worn during all P.E lessons. **P.E kits must only be brought in on the day of P.E and taken home on the same day to be washed.**

We would like to welcome you all to a new school year!

It is a pleasure to be teaching Espana and El Salvador class this year and we are looking forward to working with you all to ensure the best for your children's education and happiness. With restrictions now fully lifted, we are eager to engage with our Year 6 families and look forward to seeing you at our events and assemblies!

We have lots of fabulous learning lined up in Year 6 and you can read more about what is in store for your children on the back of this letter. Although there may be fears and doubts about returning to school, know that the Year 6 team are well prepared and ready to safely support all children in their learning. As a school we are very committed to developing the whole child and encourage every child to get fully involved in what our school has to offer including after school clubs. We are extremely excited to take some of the children to our annual residential trip this term and have lots of inspiring activities for those remaining in school to get stuck into!

If you wish to talk to us about your child you should speak to us on the playground at the end of the day, or alternatively, ring the office to let them know and we will then call you back.

Most importantly, please bring a smile and a positive and resilient attitude into the classroom this year. We are going to have a wonderful year!

The Year 6 team will be: Ms Altun, Ms Joseph, Ms Corrales and Miss Sam.

Writing

As writers we will explore these three units of work using a Talk for Writing approach. We will explore core texts and use a range of creative writing techniques, drama and oracy skills to analyse genres of writing, plan, draft, edit and publish our own pieces. Our units this term include: A Fear Story, Persuasive Speeches and Poetry.

Mathematics

As mathematicians we will work hard at becoming fluent in the fundamentals of mathematics. We will reason and justify our theories and approaches, using mathematical language and discussion. We will solve problems, applying our learning in a variety of contexts. We will be focusing on place value and understanding numbers up to 10 million. We will then cover fractions

History

We will explore The Maya Civilisation in Topic. The Ancient Mayans are renowned among historians and archaeologists as being an incredibly advanced culture that excelled at mathematics, astronomy and arts. We will explore the ins and outs of their lifestyle and culture.

Science

As scientists, we will be identifying and naming the main parts of the human circulatory system, describing the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood and recognising the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function. We will also be describing the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.

We will continue with Destination Reader, a reading programme to develop our reading skills of *inference, prediction, clarifying, summarising, evaluating, asking questions and making connections* through our daily reading lessons.

Computing

In this unit we will learn how to use spreadsheets. We will be organising data into columns and rows to create their own data set.

Art

As artists, we will focus on one-point-perspective. This is the strategy of making images look bigger and smaller depending on where you draw on the page.

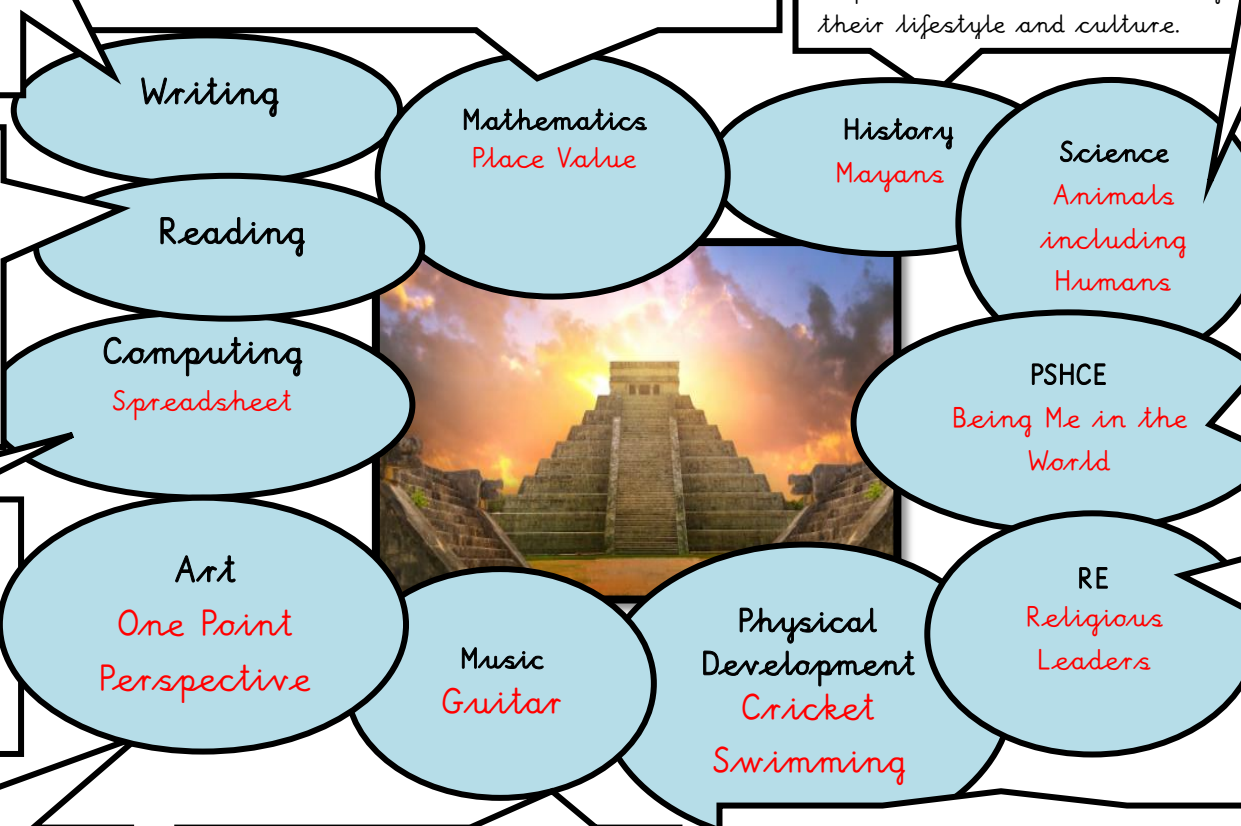
Music

This year We will be learning how to play the guitar and learning music technology.

In PE, we will be learning the rules of cricket and the correct technique for controlling a ball with a bat safely and accurately.

Espana: Friday (Cricket) and Tuesday (Swimming)

El Salvador: Thursday (Cricket) and Tuesday (Swimming)



PSHCE

Being Me in My World
We will learn to identify my goals for this year, understand my fears and worries about the future and know how to express them

RE

In R.E we will explore which qualities are important to present day religious leaders.