

UKS2 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 – 2017



Wow, what an exciting and busy term we have had already!



On Monday 30th October 2017, some of our very talented Year 5 children performed 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at 'The Broadway Theatre' in Barking. The children's performance was phenomenal. Thank you to Miss Sam for working hard to put the performance together and to all the parents who came to watch.

Furthermore, sixty of our Year 6 children took part in a leadership day last term, where they attended inspirational workshops and explored issues in the community and thought about how they can make a difference. The group 'NOBESITY' have qualified for the next round and will be presenting their ideas at City Hall. A letter will follow.

Forthcoming Educational Visits

Year 5

Year 5 will be visiting 'The Natural History Museum' on Monday 20th November 2017. The children will attend a workshop about Mountains.

Any letters regarding a visit need to be signed and returned to the class teacher as soon as possible. Please ensure that for all educational visits, your child is wearing their school uniform, sensible shoes and a coat.

Year 5 Curriculum for Term 2:

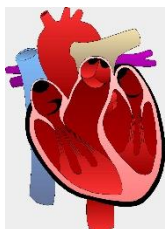


Topic: Mighty Mountains- In relation to the amazing projects the children have completed, they will be reading maps and atlases. The children will also be locating mountains and researching information about key mountains.

Literacy: The children are reading a dilemma story and will write the resolution in the form of a diary entry. Later in the term, the children will be writing newspaper reports.

Maths: The topics your child will cover this term are: multiplication, division, addition and subtraction, fractions and measures.

Year 6 Curriculum for Term 2:



Literacy: The children are currently writing diary entries and will also be writing a biography about a famous person.

Maths: The topics your child will cover this term are: multiplication, division, addition and subtraction, fractions, measures and percentages. Furthermore, they will be applying their learnt knowledge to solve multi step problems and explain their reasoning.

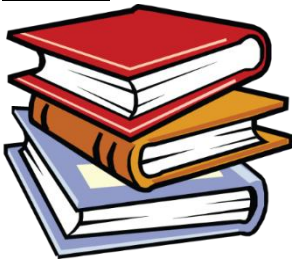
Topic

This term in year 6 we will be learning about the heart and our circulatory system, in science. In PSHE we will be looking at Fairtrade, the global economy and the effect it has on our lives. In RE we will be researching the similarities and differences between Buddhism and Christianity.

Homework

Pupils in UKS2 will be given weekly homework for Literacy and Numeracy on Thursdays. Please support your child and ensure homework is completed and returned on the correct day (Tuesday).

Reading



Reading EVERY evening for at least 15 minutes is a vital part of your child's education. When reading with your child please ask them questions about the text. These should be a combination of retrieval questions where the answers can be found on the page, as well as inference and deduction questions, where the children have to use evidence from the text to back up their answers. Ask your child about their reading targets and make a note in the diary if you feel they have achieved their target. All these and more tips can be found on page 102 of the diary.

Maths

Platinum Award



We are really challenging our pupils this term with a focus on them achieving their Platinum Award. As well as ensuring our pupils are confident with their times tables, the Platinum Award challenges the children to know their prime numbers, square numbers, cube numbers, measurement conversions, fractions, decimals and percentages.

Revision Books

Revision Maths, Reading and grammar books will be provided for Year 6 children at the end of this term. This is to help them revise in the lead up to their SAT's exams in May. These books are **loaned** to children as an additional resource. The books will be collected in at the end of May.

Please note we will have to request a payment or a replacement book if your child does not return/damages their books.

PE Kits

Your child's PE kit needs to be in school until the end of term. If a kit needs washing, then it needs to be taken home and then returned to school the following day.

If you would like any further advice or ideas, please speak to your child's teacher.

Kind Regards,

Year 5 & 6 Team