

Year 6- Autumn 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another school year, we hope that you had a fantastic summer! It is wonderful for us to be teaching your children in Year 6.

English

Our core reading in English this half-term is *Rose Blanche*, which is a story set in Germany in World War 2 with one girl's courage and determination to save others. The book will provide us with opportunities to explore many different genres in English including; persuasive letter writing, diary entries and a non-chronological report. We will be looking at making our writing more exciting to the reader and using different grammatical features to do so. Please remember to encourage your child to read for at least 10 minutes a day and record any reading in their reading record.

Maths

For Maths we will initially focus on place value and learning numbers up to 10,000,000. The children will also learn the four operations, which are addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. There are many opportunities to help your child in some of these areas particularly when shopping or cooking. Times tables are also vital to your child if they are to make real progress in Year 6 so please, periodically help your child to learn these using Times Tables Rockstars – little and often is the key.

R.E.

In R.E. the children will be exploring the question 'what is the best way for a Muslim to show Commitment to God?' Children will be looking at the five pillars of Islam and comparing these commitments to their own lives.

Science

As Scientists we'll be learning about Electricity. We will begin by focusing on the different variables and what makes a fair test. Children will explore what static electricity is and know what the components of a circuit are. Our learning will continue with Animals, including Humans, and the children will learn what blood is made of and why it is important for human survival.

History

During our History lessons, we will be learning about World War 2 and how it affected our local area. We will learn why air bases were important to the war effort and the impact of 'The Blitz' on Britain and London.

Geography

During Geography, we will focus our learning on and earthquakes, mountains and volcanoes. We will look specifically on how mountains are formed and the causes and effects of earthquakes. Children will be given the opportunity to learn and use high-level vocabulary with a historical and geographical context.

P.S.H.E

Our P.S.H.E lessons will focus on learning about 'Being Me in My World', where we will focus on being a good citizen.

French/Computing

During French, we will recap and learn more words and phrases associated with school and school rooms. Our Computing lessons will consist of communication and collaboration when using the internet.

P.E. will be every Monday with St Saviours staff and every Wednesday with our coaches from West Ham. Home Learning will be set on Thursday and should be returned the following Tuesday. Please speak to an adult if you are unsure of how to complete it.