

SCHOOL NOTICE BOARD

Year 6- Spring 1

Welcome back to another half term of learning in Year 6 and a Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you had a fantastic Christmas break and that the children are ready for another term of learning.

English

This half term will see the children using the text of *Windrush Child* by Benjamin Zephaniah in their English learning. The text tells the story of a young boy who leaves Jamaica to join his parents in England, experiencing the challenges of adjusting to a new life far from home. Through his journey, the book explores themes of identity, resilience, and the impact of the Windrush generation on British society. The children will have different writing outcomes throughout the unit of learning, including an informal letter, poem, diary entries, formal letter, advice, and a persuasive pitch.

To support the children with their reading, we will be using past SATS papers to practise question types and speed/stamina.

Children will be having a weekly spelling test on the Year 6 statutory spelling words. Please support your child in learning these.

To support the children with their SPaG revision, we will also be looking at all areas of punctuation and grammar.

Maths

Children will be starting their maths learning with ratio and we will then move on to learning about algebra.

Children will also be tested on their multiplication each week so please do ensure that children are logging on to TTRS.

We will also be practising our arithmetic ahead of SATS to ensure that the children can score highly on this paper during the tests. This can also be supported at home by using Century AI.

R.E.

The children will be answering the key question: Science and Creation: Conflicting or complementary? This is a fantastic unit that allows the children to look at arguments of how both can complement each other with lots of philosophical questioning of different beliefs.

Science

In science, the children will be learning about how to describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans. This is a shorter science unit and the children will then be learning about Light. This learning will explore different concepts of how light travels and its journey from a source to a human eye.

History & Geography

In History, the children will learn more about the Windrush Generation, including key dates and how a generation helped rebuild Britain post-war, whilst also facing challenges such as prejudice and racism. In Geography, the children will learn about settlements, describe their patterns and how the movement of people might have patterns on economic activity.

P.E. will be every Wednesday with our coaches from West Ham.

Home Learning will be set on Thursday on Century AI along with spellings for the week.