Year 6 Curriculum Overview – Autumn Term



Where possible, our focus texts and writing opportunities will be linked to cross-curricular topics.

Reading:

We will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction texts linked to our topics this term. Our main class novel for this half term will be When the Sky Falls by Phil Earle.

Writing:

Fiction:

Setting description, character description, narratives from multiple perspectives.

Non-Fiction:

Informative writing – non-chronological report. Persuasive writing – formal persuasive letter.

Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

- Use a wide range of punctuation accurately and consistently (e.g. question marks, exclamation marks, apostrophes, commas and brackets)
- Use suffixes to convert from one word class to another (e.g. -ate, -ify/-ness, -ment/-ful, ous)

Mathematics

- Use expanded noun phrases to give information concisely
- Recognise main and subordinate clauses, and phrases, and use them to construct sentences in different ways
- Use a range of verb forms (including the perfect form).

Spellings:

- short vowel sound /i/ spelled 'y'
- short vowel sound /i/ spelled 'y'
- long vowel sound /igh/ spelled 'y'
- adding the prefix '-over'
- words with the suffix '-ful'
- words that can be nouns and verbs
- /oa/ sound spelled 'ou' or 'ow'
- a 'soft c' spelled 'ce'
- prefixes 'dis-', 'un-', 'over-' and 'im-' prefixes 'dis-', 'un-', 'over-' and 'im-'
- /f/ sound spelled 'ph'
- words with unstressed vowel sounds
- words with 'cial'/shuhl/ after a vowel
- words with 'tial'/shul/

Place Value:

- Read, write, order and compare numbers up to
- 10,000,000 and determine the value of each digit Round any whole number to a required degree of

accuracy

- Use negative numbers in context, and calculate intervals across 0
- Solve number and practical problems that involve all of the above

Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication & Division:

- Solve addition and subtraction multi-step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why

- Multiply multi-digit numbers up to 4 digits by a twodigit whole number using the formal written method of long multiplication

- Divide numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit number using the formal written method of short division where appropriate, interpreting remainders according to the context

- Perform mental calculations, including with mixed operations and large numbers

- Identify common factors, common multiples and prime numbers

Use their knowledge of the order of operations to carry out calculations involving the 4 operations
Solve problems involving addition, subtraction,

multiplication and division

- Use estimation to check answers to calculations and determine, in the context of a problem, an appropriate degree of accuracy

- Use BIDAMS and understand the correct order of operations using brackets.

- Use all the multiplication tables to calculate mathematical statements in order to maintain their fluency.

Fractions & Decimals:

- Use common factors to simplify fractions; use common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination

- Compare and order fractions, including fractions >1

Identify the value of each digit in numbers given to 3 decimal places and multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1,000 giving answers up to 3 decimal places

- Multiply one-digit numbers with up to 2 decimal places by whole numbers

Algebra:

- Express missing number problems algebraically - Use simple formulae

Literacy

| | Domestic Church – Family: Loving | | |
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| Religious Education | God who never stops loving | | |
| | Pupils will know and understand: | Physical Education | |
| | The love and care of people | | |
| | God's love is unconditional and never ending | | Athletics - Running |
| | Baptism / Confirmation – Belonging: Vocation and | | Pupils will explore how to use their bodies to sprint or |
| | Commitment | | to running for distance. |
| | The vocation of priesthood and religious life | | Basketball |
| | Pupils will know and understand: | | Pupils will consolidate their ability to use passing, |
| | Commitment in life | | dribbling, and moving skills to keep possession and |
| | The vocation to the priesthood and religious life | | score. |
| | Advent / Christmas – Loving: Expectations | | |
| | Jesus born to show God to the world | | Dodgeball |
| | Pupils will know and understand: | | Pupils will consolidate their understanding of |
| | The meaning of expectation | | attacking and defensive tactics during a game. |
| | Advent, a time of joyful expectation of Christmas, | | |
| | the Word becoming a human person, Jesus | | |
| | <u>Other Faith – Judaism</u> | | |
| | <u>Biomes</u> - Pupils will learn the term 'Biome' and why different | | Crime & Punishment |
| | areas on earth have different climates and features. | | - Pupils will learn the terms 'crime' and 'punishment' |
| | - They will understand the terms <i>longitude</i> and | | and how societies' views have changed over time. |
| | <i>latitude</i> and be able to describe the climates in | | - They will recognise similarities and differences |
| | different areas using geographical language. | | between what is considered a crime and identify how |
| Geography | Maps and graphs will be used to compare/contrast | History | the level of severity of punishment has changed. |
| | tropical rainforests with temperate deciduous | | - Pupils will begin to understand how the tolerance |
| | forests. | | and attitudes towards crime and punishment are |
| | - Pupils will learn about the flora and fauna found | | linked with changes in different societies and can be |
| | within 2 contrasting biomes and be able to explain how and why these have adapted. | | linked to social status within the historical periods. - Children will be able to consider the scale of |
| | - They will be able to categorise and explain the | | punishment assigned to similar crimes over time and |
| | importance of goods and services taken from the | | evaluate the impact and fairness of the punishment |
| | rainforest and understand what is meant by | | levied. |
| | deforestation and its impact on the rainforest both | | - Finally, pupils will bring their learning together to be |
| | from a physical and human point of view. | | able to analyse how the nature and impact of crime |
| | - They will also learn how we can use the rainforest | | and punishment has changed over time. |
| | sustainably. | | |
| | | | Computing Systems and Networks - Communication Pupils will learn about the World Wide Web as a |
| | | | communication tool. First, they will learn how we find |
| | | | information on the World Wide Web, through learning |
| | Syncopation | | how search engines work (including how they select and |
| | Pupils will explore the concept of syncopation during | | rank results) and what influences searching, and through |
| | this unit exploring this through the following key | Computing | comparing different search engines. They will then |
| | themes: Pulse, rhythm, melody, listening and | | investigate different methods of communication, before focusing on internet-based communication. Finally, they |
| Music | appraising, performing, singing and composition. | | will evaluate which methods of internet communication |
| Mı | These lessons will be led by Tardis Education. | | to use for particular purposes. |
| | Pupils will also take part in singing lessons with Mr | | Creating Media |
| | Richardson. | | This unit introduces pupils to the creation of websites |
| | | | for a chosen purpose. Learners identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and |
| | | | evaluate their own website using Google Sites. |
| | | | Throughout the process learners pay specific attention |
| | | | to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the |
| | | | site, and navigation paths. |

| Science | Animals including Humans Pupils will be able to: - Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood - Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function - Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans <u>Electricity</u> Pupils will be able to: - Recognise circuit symbols in a simple circuit- identify the simple circuit used in a hand torch - Recognise electric current is measured in amperes, current is a flow of charge - Associate the brightness of a lamp or volume of a buzzer with the potential difference in a circuit Investigate the brightness of a bulb if the PD is increased or the number of bulbs increased in a series circuit - Investigate how the length of wire affects the brightness of a bulb. - Potential difference is measured in volts - Resistance, measured in ohms, as the ratio of potential difference (p.d.) to current - Differences in resistance between conducting and insulating components (quantitative) - Separation of positive or negative charges when objects are rubbed together: transfer of electrons, forces between charged objects - The idea of electric field, forces acting across the space between objects not in contact. | Art and Design Technology | <u>Art – Drawing: Posters</u> Pupils will use powerful messages and portraits of significant people to develop propaganda posters. Through the scheme of learning they will develop skills of drawing block letterings, vectorising portraits, and merging these components together to create a visually striking composition. They will build upon their skills of pencil control, composition, line and colour. Design Technology: Kitchen – Vegetable Curry Pupils will build on their knowledge of cultural influences on the Great British Menu and eating seasonally. Adapting recipes to change the appearance, taste, texture and aroma. Using their previous knowledge of numeracy for measurement and irreversible change linked to science, eating well and staying healthy in PSHE. |
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| PSHE | Unit 1: Me, My Body, My Health Pupils will focus on their gifts and talents, girls bodies, boys bodies, spots and sleep. Unit 3: Emotional Well-Being Pupils will focus on body image and peculiar feelings. | French | <u>Unit 1 – House Descriptions</u> Pupils will focus on different rooms inside and outside of the house. Describe these rooms and their ideal house and bedroom. |
| Events / Trips / Important Dates | Y6 Library Visit – Tues 10 th September Y6 RAP (Risks at Play) Event, South Shields Fire Station – Wed 2 nd October (am only) Flu Vaccine (in school) – Thurs 3 rd October Mass of Thanksgiving – Thurs 10 th October Robinwood Residential – Mon 14 th to Wed 16 th October INSET day – Friday 25 th October W.C 28 th October – 1 st November – HALF TERM Y6 Library Visit – Tues 5 th November (TBC) Mass in Church – Tues 5 th November (10am) Y6 Celebration of the Word (9am) – Thurs 7 th November (TBC) Parents' Meetings – Wed 11 th & Thurs 12 th December Mass / Christmas Service in Church – Thurs 19 th December (2pm) Break up for Christmas Holidays – Fri 20 th December (1;30pm) | Key Information | Ideally the children will read at least 1 book each week this term and complete the accompanying quiz. To ensure our class library has a good selection for the children to choose from, please ensure books are returned to school after they have been read. Please encourage children to learn and revise spellings, times tables and mental arithmetic for their weekly tests. Please check the children have everything they need for school i.e. PE kit, water bottles, and that they complete their homework on time. PE kit – children are to wear their PE kit on their PE days (Monday and Wednesday) Mental maths and spelling tests are every Friday and homework will be given out on a Friday to be completed by the following Friday please. |