

Curriculum Newsletter

Primary 6 Term 1 2025-2026



The World Around Us (WAU)

Our topic this term is **Living Things**. Children will research and present information on aspects of Flowering Plants and Animals. The children will use a variety of thinking maps to organise their research for report writing. They will also write a set of instructions on how to germinate a broad bean seed.

The children will develop skills on how to identify trees in their locality as well as the features of deciduous and coniferous trees. Pupils will also understand the parts and lifecycle of a flowering plant and what is needed for plants to grow.

We will link our research to maths by measuring the circumference of trees, the area of leaves and we will also use leaves we collect to produce our very own Leaf Creatures.

Children will learn about the variety of animals in our world and how they are classified. We will investigate the life cycles of salmon and Daddy Longlegs as well as the systems of a very familiar animal... the human.

This term in:

Maths:

Through Maths Mastery, we are working on 5 areas of the Numeracy curriculum this term:

- Reasoning with large whole numbers to 999,999.
- Addition and subtraction strategies to 999,999.
- Line graphs and timetables.
- Multiplication and division strategies.
- Perimeter and area.

In mental maths we will be focussing on quick recall of number facts such as times tables. It is important that the children have a sound knowledge of these number facts and can recall them quickly.

<u>Literacy:</u> We will continue to develop our comprehension skills in our shared and guided reading lessons. We will focus on making predictions and using the text to justify our answers. We will look at the features of instructional and report writing and the children will complete writing tasks based on our WAU topic. Our class novel for this term is Danny the Champion of the World. Children will build a picture of a character using descriptive language.

<u>ICT:</u> Our focus for Term 1 will be Computational Thinking & Coding. We will use the Scratch Software to develop the children's coding skills. This term we will be focusing on broadcasting, where we make 2 Sprites communicate with each other.

What else is happening this term?

PE: Our designated PE days are Tuesday (swimming on a Monday, begins 8th December) and Thursday. When we begin swimming on a Monday, we will only have PE on a Thursday. Our focus in the PE curriculum is game development and gymnastics.

Homework:

Numeracy, Literacy and Spelling Activity homework – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.

Children will complete spellings, mental maths and reading every night (either AR or Guided Reading).

Helping at Home:

- -Ensure children complete all their homework to the best of their ability and sign it to show you have seen it.
- -Encourage your child to research information about Living Things at home and share their findings with the class. We would be grateful for any empty cereal boxes to use in our art projects.

Our P6 Class Contract 2025/26

Rules to help us learn in school

I will be an independent and confident learner.

I will be gentle with my voice and hands.

I will listen and follow instructions carefully and quietly.

I will be polite and patient.

I will show respect to our school community and environment.

I will take pride in my work and be conscientious.

I will include others and acknowledge their successes.

I will appreciate others, their opinions and ideas.

I will always be the best I can be and work to the best of my ability.

Playground rules

Look after each other and play nicely.

Be kind to everyone.

Use gentle hands and gentle words.

We follow instructions of the adult on duty.

Take care of the playground and all the equipment.

We share and take turns.

We invite children on their own to join in.