



Curriculum Newsletter

Primary 6 Term 1 2024-2025



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 a deciduous and evergreen 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 to produce our very own Leaf Creatures!

The 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!



The MORE that you **READ**, the **MORE** things you will **KNOW**.
The MORE that you **Learn**, the **MORE** places you'll **GO**.

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.

Literacy: We will continue to develop our comprehension skills in our shared and guided reading sessions. 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.

ICT: 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 PE days are Tuesday & Thursday. I would encourage the children to bring some extra water to school on PE days to keep them hydrated.

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:

- Children should know all their multiplication facts to 12x12 with accuracy and speed. They also need to continue to practise division facts and finding a fraction within tables. Playing Hit the Button (www.topmarks.co.uk) will help consolidate multiplication and division facts.



Our P6 Class Contract 2024/25

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.

Rules to keep us safe and healthy.

I will wash my hands regularly.

I will use my own belongings and remember not to touch other children's belongings.

I will be careful of my personal hygiene when coughing and sneezing.

Playground rules

Look after each other and play nicely.

Be kind to everyone.

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.