September 2023

AUTUMN NEWS



Events:

- Thursday 14th September—Y6 Mass 9.30am
- Thursday 14th September-E-Safety workshop 2.30pm
- Friday 15th September-photographs (Individual and sibling)
- Thursday 21st September—Cake Sale—Y6 and Y2
- Tuesday 26th September

 Year 6
 Reading workshop at 2.40pm
- Friday 29th September -St Teresa's Feast Day
- W/C Monday 2nd October—Little Way Week
- Monday 2nd October Chaplaincy Team Mass
- Tuesday 3rd October/Wednesday 4th October- Parents evening. 3.30pm-6.00pm
- Monday 9th October—Briars Parents meeting, 3.30pm.
- Wednesday 4th October—Maya archeologist workshops
- Friday 20th October-Choral Speaking Y6 at 9.15am
- Friday 20th October French Friday
- Friday 20th October-half term.
- Monday 6th November—School reopens
- Wednesday 8th—10th November, The Briars trip
- Monday 13th —Friday 17th November-Anti-Bullying Week
- Tuesday 14th November –
 Remembrance Day/ Peace Day
- W/C Monday 20th November— Other Faiths Week
- Wednesday 29th November—Y6 Class Liturgy
- Friday 8th December—Panto
- Thursday 22nd December— Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- Friday 22nd December—Fitness Friday
- Friday 22nd December—last day of the Autumn term.

DO THE LITTLE THINGS WELL.

WELCOME BACK

Welcome to Year 6. We hope you had an enjoyable summer break with your families and are looking forward to a very busy term.

<u>R.E</u>

The first RE topic of the year is 'Loving' where we learn about how we to show love and care to those around us, and how God shows us unconditional love. We will relate scripture to how we live our lives today, following Jesus' example. Our second topic is 'Vocation and Commitment', where we will focus on how Christians make a commitment to God and how this shapes our lives.

Literacy

This half term we will be using the text Darwin's Dragons by Lindsay Galvin. The children will



Darwin's Dragons and The Last Bear.

be focusing on fictional narratives, a nonchronological report and a explanation linked to our science topic. It is a fantastic book that the children will thoroughly enjoy. In the second half-term we will be working with a book called The Last Bear, the book tackles the issue of Climate change. These books are readily available in the library and it would be great if the children could begin to read them and familiarise themselves with the books.

WHAT IS MY MISSION?

Maths

At the start of this term we will be covering number and place value, Roman numerals and addition and subtraction problem solving. We will then cover multiplication, division and geometry, including reflection and translation. The children will continue to be set weekly Mathletics and Rock Star Maths challenges as part of their homework, as well as the Maths questions on the weekly homework sheet. These activities help support the learning taking place in class.

Homework

Homework will go out on a Friday and the timetable tells the children when each piece of work needs to be completed. We have purchased revision books for all of the children to use. the homework will supplement the work being done in class. It is very important that your child completes their homework on time.

We ask that you check your child's work and initial it before it comes back school. lt expected that children in Year Six should read 20 pages, 5 time a week at least (including reading aloud). We ask you to record their reading in the school organiser on a daily basis (including independent reading).

Spellings and times tables will be tested on a Friday.



Topic

Our topic for the first half-term is the Maya, our big question is 'Why were the Maya the envy of the World'. Each week we will explore a separate area of the Maya and Maya life. This is to encourage the children to think about and carefully reason their own answers based on historical sources.

Following the half-term break, we dive straight into our Climate Change topic, this will be closely linked to our science and give the children the opportunity to delve deeper into a huge global issue.

Science

In Science we will be investigating and finding out about 'Evolution and Inheritance' and then 'Classifying Living Things'. This will involve learning about the work of Charles Darwin and Mary Anning. We will be planning and conducting our own practical experiments about variation. This will be a great opportunity for the children to take part in group work and plan a fair test. Science will provide the children with the important skills of making predictions, analysing results, identifying anomalies and evaluating data.

PE

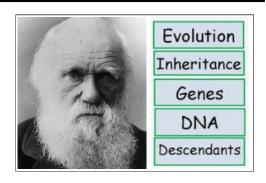
PE will be taking place every Friday afternoon. The children must come dressed in their PE kit on a Friday (meaning no PE kits will be in school). A list of the PE kit can be found in your child's school organiser, school jumper/cardigan to be worn over the PE, no hoodies. PE is part of the National Curriculum and so it is important that every child takes part.

Computing

In Computing the children will start the term focusing on E-Safety and what it takes to be safe on-line. This will provide a secure basis for the following topics and ensure the children are fully aware of how to remain safe online and the resources available to keep them safe.

Year 6 Team

May we thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to a very successful Autumn term.



Mr Dickie, Mrs Lambert, and Mrs Smith.

