



AUTUMN NEWS

Events:

- Tuesday 9th September—Meet the teacher 2.40pm
- Tuesday 9th September—Briars meeting 3:30pm
- Thursday 11th September—Y6 Mass 9.30am
- Thursday 11th September—E-Safety workshop 2.30pm
- Tuesday 23rd September/Wednesday 24th October—Parents evening, 3.30pm-6.00pm
- W/C Monday 29th September—Little Way Week
- Wednesday 1st October—St Teresa's Feast Day mass
- Thursday 2nd October: Cake Sale (Year 6 and Year 2)
- Wednesday 8th—Friday 10th October—Briars residential
- Friday 17th October—Choral Speaking Y6 at 9.15am
- Friday 17th October - half term.
- Monday 3rd November—School reopens
- Monday 10th—Friday 14th November—Anti-Bullying Week
- Tuesday 11th November—Remembrance Day/ Peace Day
- Thursday 3rd November: Individual photographs
- Friday 14th November - Children in Need
- Wednesday 26th November—Y6 Class Liturgy 2:30pm
- Thursday 4th December—Advent Mass
- Thursday 18th December—Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- Friday 19th December—Fitness Friday
- Friday 19th 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.

R.E

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 non-chronological report and a explanation linked to our history 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 them.

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 ge-

ometry, 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 in their weekly homework books. 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, and 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 to school. It is expected that children in Year Six should read 20 pages, 5 times 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).

Times tables will be tested on a Thursday and spellings on a Friday.



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Topic

Our topic for the first half-term is the Plague. In this topic, we will be researching and finding out how it affected communities, including Eyam. We will visit Eyam as part of our Briars visit to get a real life insight and help to bring the topic to life.

Following the half-term break, we dive straight into our Climate Change topic, this will be closely linked to our literacy and will 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. 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

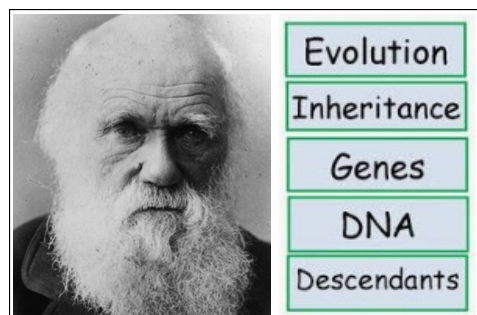
PE will be taking place every Wednesday afternoon. **The children must come dressed in their PE kit on a Wednesday.** A list of the PE kit can be found in your child's school organiser; a school jumper/cardigan or school hoodie can be worn over the PE kit. PE is part of the National Curriculum and so 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.



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Corcoran and Mrs Ryan.

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