

# YEAR 6

## SUMMER TERM TOPIC LETTER

### What are we doing this term?

**LITERACY** – We are looking at story writing and how writers use adjectives, adverbs, powerful verbs, simile, personification and metaphor to add description and paint pictures in a reader's mind. Creating short films based on Cyberbullying where the children write and perform their on shorts. We will also be focussing a lot on spelling, punctuation and grammar as we prepare for the SATS tests in May. These will be under more relaxed conditions as it is only being used as in house evidence for teacher assessment.

**NUMERACY** - We will start by looking at drawing and measuring angles, angles in a triangle and around a point and improper fractions amounts and percentages. We will look at ratio and proportion and converting between units e.g. km and m. We will obviously be practising a lot of SATs questions, particularly 3 step problems.

**Times table knowledge is essential** for many areas of maths and any help you could give your child, practicing their tables at home, would be of great help to them **(Maths is all about confidence! knowledge of number facts, and other maths facts, breeds confidence.)**

*Please also ask questions like: "What time will it be in 40 minutes time?"*

**Science** - We will start by looking at forces in action. We will also look at feeding relationships between creatures, habitats, how creatures adapt to their environment and identification using branching databases.

**Geography** – We are studying the country hosting Euro 2020 (held in 2021) and look into the culture, location and geographical properties of the country.

**History** – Studying the Mayan people, culture and influence on the civilization then and in the future.

**ICT** – Programming and hardware – write computer code to switch off lights and use electricity Crumble.

**ART** – Photoshop & digital media. Manipulate pictures taken. Create digital advertising for Cyberbullying shorts.

**DT** – Making bird houses – to help enrich our school grounds. This is for our ‘structures’ element of curriculum. Designed and made from wood.

**PE** – WLSP – Athletics and OAA. Class teacher – Invasion and Striking & Fielding

**RE** – We will be finishing our work on the Passover and the Eucharist and looking at “Who is Jesus?” We will then learn about Ascension and Pentecost. Later, we will look at People of Faith.

**PSHE** – Using new Jigsaw programme – Relationship and changing me. These two involve sensitive subject matters such as; mental health, puberty & conception, body image, sexting and transition.

### Homework

Homework will be given every Friday and will reflect the work done in class leading up to the in house SATS. There will be maths and literacy (GPS) given every week. As well as this, they will be expected to read and practice this spellings. These spellings will be from the list of those Year 6 children need to know/be able to spell by the end of the year.

### Home Reading

Expectation of home reading is that it is done every day. They can sign their reading diaries if they read independently however there should be a minimum of 2 parental signatures in there to show they are reading with an adult as well. Independent reading is not as effective as reading with an adult. Sessions with an adult should involve discussion about the book and questions to check the children’s understanding.

### End of Year

We will be looking to do SATS the final week of this half term. Week beginning 17/5/21. Following that we will be doing a lot of projects and preparation for high school. Hopefully, covid depending, we can

plan our end of year productions and services. Min Y Don is planned for 25/05/21-28/05/21 and providing the Governments road map stays on course it will go ahead as scheduled.

Thanks,  
Mr C Skinner