



Year 6 Newsletter Autumn 2017

Welcome to Year 6!

Dear parents,

Hello and welcome to Year 6. If I haven't already met you, I'm Mrs Cattell.

I am looking forward to a happy, healthy and successful year with your children.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to speak to me or call the academy to make an appointment.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs J. Cattell

Reading

Regular reading is very important for all children, to develop skills in all areas of learning.

We will hear each child read each week. We will check reading records regularly and they need to be in school every day.

Children are expected to comment in their records as they read.

Please encourage your children to read a variety of genre and especially to read for pleasure!



English

Our focus will be on:

⇒ Grammar, punctuation and spelling.

⇒ Narrative and non-fiction writing through the study of the Odyssey, which links to our Ancient Greece topic.

⇒ Poetry.

⇒ Reading comprehension.

Mathematics

We will be focusing on:

⇒ Number and Place Value

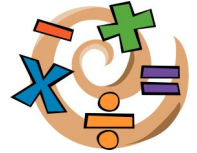
⇒ Mental calculation

⇒ Statistics

⇒ Measurement

⇒ Fractions, ratio and proportion

⇒ Problem solving and investigations



P.E.



Please make sure that P.E. kits are in school all week.

P.E. will be on a Tuesday with Soccer 2000 specialists focussing on Netball this half term.

R.E.

We will focus on: The Story of The People of God, Celebrating the life of Mary and the Saints,

Baptism and Confirmation, Advent.



Our world religion this year is Islam.

We will be visiting the Islamic Exhibition Centre to enrich our learning of this topic this year.



Science



This term our topics are:
Living Things and Their Habitats and Animals including Humans.

Geography

After half term, we will be studying the world's Mountain ranges.

History

Our topic is 'Ancient Greece' and the children should choose an area of ancient Greek life to produce a homework project on, such as:

- ⇒ The Olympics,
- ⇒ Gods and Goddesses
- ⇒ Sparta and Athens
- ⇒ Greeks at War
- ⇒ Arts and Theatre

⇒ Growing up in Ancient Greece to be handed in by the week beginning Wednesday 8th November, to enable you to come and view our :

'Ancient Greek Exhibition' at 2.45pm—3.15pm on Thursday 9th November

www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

www.educationcity.co.uk

Please Log on to practise English and Maths skills at home.



Praise the Lord in Work, Play and Prayer.

Art/D.T.

This half term our Art work will be linked to our topic on 'Ancient Greece' where we will be making Greek theatre masks using papier-mâché. *(If you have any spare newspapers we would be very grateful if you could donate them!)*

Next half term, we will be studying the work of famous artist Albert Bierstadt—which links to our Geography topic on Mountains.

French

This term our topics in French are:
Classroom rules, items and instructions.

Computing

We will be learning how to use digital research and presentation skills within our History and Geography topics.

Snacks & Drinks



We encourage children to bring in a named water bottle to drink from, at break times and after P.E. Please ensure that it has an easy-drink cap to limit any spill-ages.

Children can also bring a fruit snack each day and can order milk for the term from the office.

Homework—Key Information:

English/Maths: One piece of English or Maths will be sent out on a Friday and is due in on the following **Wednesday** morning. In addition an online piece of work will be set on www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

OR www.educationcity.co.uk for completion by the following week.

Spelling test— is on a **Thursday** and new spellings will be sent out on Friday.

Reading—Children must have their reading books and reading records in school **everyday**.

Mental maths facts—It is important for children to practise Mental arithmetic skills regularly, particularly multiplication tables and the related division facts.

