

Y6 Wolves Newsletter

Term 3 2018



Dear Parents and carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back after the Christmas holidays; thank you very much for the lovely cards and gifts we received. We hope you all had an enjoyable festive period!

I will continue to teach the children all week except for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons when the children will be taught by Mrs Berry or Mr Packer. Mrs Douglas and Mrs Jones will continue as the TA's in Year 6 providing a wide range of support including interventions, focused teaching in small groups and extension activities.

Diary dates

Tuesday 30th January - Young Voices at the O2

Friday 9th February - interim reports out to parents

Friday 9th February - last day of Term 3

Year 6 Curriculum content

Literacy

This term our work will focus on traditional stories such as fairy tales (probably with a bit of a twist!), myths, legends and fables. We will look at the structure and style of these and where they originate from and then write our own. We will continue with regular spelling practice, grammar work and handwriting practice each week. Extended writing sessions will continue to take place regularly to ensure we have a wide range of evidence to support teacher assessment for writing.

Numeracy

Topics this term will include work on finding percentages of amounts; equivalence between fractions, decimals and percentages; BODMAS; interpreting and constructing line graphs and pie charts; area of parallelograms and triangles; ratio and proportion. We will also complete investigative and problem solving activities, arithmetic tasks, Big Maths and the usual times tables practice on a regular basis.

Science

This term's topic is light; Mrs Berry will teach this topic. Children will learn about how light travels, shadow formation, reflection and refraction, internal and external structure of the eye, colour and rainbow formation. There will also be opportunities to plan and carry out independent investigations.

Computing

This term we will use a stop-go animation software called Zu3D to create amazing animated films!

PE

PE lessons will continue to take place on **Tuesday** and **Thursday** afternoons. This term the children will be doing handball in outdoor sessions and Key Steps in their indoor session. Children are permitted to bring a tracksuit and should have trainers for outdoor PE lessons. Please mark every item of clothing with your child's name. If your child wears stud earrings please remember that these need to be removed or covered for lessons and long hair needs to be tied up.

RE

This term we will continue with our work on Christianity, completing a unit called 'Living a Christian Life'. Children will consider the value of forgiveness and how Christians display this value in their own lives.

Geography

The children have already completed a geography unit on 'Climate zones and biomes' blocked in the first two days of term. The two Year 6 classes worked collaboratively on various challenges and tasks, focusing on features of biomes such as climate, plant growth, wildlife population and vegetation.

Art

Our focus will be the Willow Pattern story. Children will listen to the story and then complete drawing and painting worked linked to the famous blue and white plates.

PSHE

We will complete a unit called 'Going for Goals' focusing on setting personal targets and looking at what makes an effective learner.

French

We will focus on places in town, clothes and colours. Children will also use vocabulary to compare past and present.

Home Learning Activities

Homework and spellings continue to be set every Thursday to be handed in and tested the following Tuesday. The children will now have an additional piece of work to complete each week as we begin to move towards SATs preparation. Please continue to encourage your son or daughter to complete their homework as it reinforces what we have been learning in class and helps them to get into good habits before moving on to secondary school.

In addition to tasks set each week, please practise times tables and also encourage daily reading, which should be recorded in the contact book.

If you have any questions or queries please come and have a chat at the beginning or end of the day if you are on the playground or I can be contacted via email Debbie.Creigh@bad.kent.sch.uk

Kind regards,

Miss Creigh, Mrs Douglas, Mrs Jones and Mrs Berry