

## Year 6 Newsletter Summer 1 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our learning focus this half term is 'Community'. Below we have outlined what we will be covering as part of this topic, in addition to our English and Maths work. We hope that you will get involved in your children's work and contribute to their learning by discussing and supporting their schoolwork at home.

### Attendance

It is important that your child's attendance remains above **97.5%** so that they do not fall behind.

Eagle: 94.1%      Hawk: 95.2%

**Target: 97.5%**

### As readers and writers...

Our focus text for this half term will be 'Rose Blanche' by Christophe Gallaz.



We will be using this picture book based in WW2 Nazi Germany to write a character description, a setting description and a short narrative.

Imagine being a child in Germany during World War II. Although adults often try to shield their children from the atrocities in the world, it is impossible to hide everything from them. Rose Blanche is an ordinary girl living in Germany who becomes confused by the things that she sees happening around her. She tries to help when she can, but ends up finding herself in over her head. Rose Blanche describes the clash between innocence and reality that occurred during this time period.

### As mathematicians we will be learning about...

#### Ratio:

- Using scale factor
- Calculating scale factors
- Ratio and Proportion

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#### Line Graphs:

- Read and interpret line graphs
- Draw line graphs
- Use line graphs to solve problems

#### Circles, Pie Charts and averages:

- Circles
- Read and interpret pie charts
- Pie charts with percentages
- Draw pie charts
- The mean

#### Angles:

- Measure with a protractor
- Draw lines and angles accurately
- Explore angles
- Angles on a straight line
- Angles around a point

### As theologians...

We will be looking at worship in the world. Big Question: How can we influence the world?

### As linguists we will...

Year 6 will be looking at foods from Beijing, Chinese architecture, Xian's historical sites exploring mandarin vocabulary when travelling.

### Using technology...

Year 6 will be looking at how changes in loops affects programs and making programs more dynamic by adding variables.

### As scientists...

We will be aiming to work scientifically and putting our practical skills to work. We will be investigating the best biscuits for dunking and writing up our findings.

### As sports people we can...

Coach Marcus will be teaching Year 6 outdoor PE each week. This will include Rounders, Cricket. Indoor PE will focus on fitness and healthy lifestyle habits; this will be taught by class teachers indoors.

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### As artists and designers...

We will be creating sculptures from paper mache and use different techniques to add texture.

### As historians we will...

Moments and movements that changed the world, looking at China.

### As good citizens...

We will be looking at relationships and significant world figures. These are the RSE elements to be covered: changes in my life, loving relationships and reproduction.

### As musicians...

We will be working on our end of year production which will include singing, dancing and responding to music. The children have already worked together collaboratively to write the script for the production and will begin rehearsals after the SATs.

### As geographers...

We will be locating China on map, identifying its physical features and investigating the change in power over time

## Notices and reminders

- **SATS week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May. Please ensure your child has a good night sleep and a good breakfast before the morning of each test.**
- PE sessions will be on **TUESDAY** and **FRIDAY** afternoons. Please ensure that your child brings their P.E kit to school every week.
- In Year 6, it is vital that children continue to read and discuss books with adults. It is expected that this will happen every day for at least 20 minutes. Children must write down their opinions and observations in their Reading Records. Parents should sign.
- **Homework:** There will be English and Maths homework each week and 10 spellings that will be tested the following week. Homework will be set on Fridays and must be handed in no later than Wednesday morning the following week. Please sign to say you have seen it. Children will continue to use 'Sumdog' and 'Mathshed' to consolidate understanding of number patterns. Tested spellings are all on Spelling Shed and will be allocated by the class teacher on a rolling program.
- Please remind your child to be 'learning ready' when they come into class; iPad charged, PE kit, reading book, homework etc.

### Year 6 Team

#### **Eagle**

Class Teacher: Mr Morgan

#### **Hawk**

Class Teacher: Mrs Francis

Teaching Assistant: Ms Petch