



Curriculum Guide

Here is a short summary of the curriculum your child will be following this half term.

You can help by:

- Sharing a book with your child each day
- Helping your child with their learn by heart target or multiplication tables
- Speaking to your child about their work and day at school
- Making sure they have the right equipment for school
- Checking their homework diary each week

Reading	During the first part of the half term, they will use the book 'Who was Charles Darwin?' by Deborah Hopkinson to develop their creative curriculum knowledge as well as that of non-fiction texts. Pupils will develop their poetry skills and understanding of language and text structure. We will be using the poetry collection called the 'National Geographic Book of Animal Poetry' in order to develop these skills. Pupils will be grouped according to the skills they need to practice according to the Autumn 1 assessments.	
Writing	The reading texts above will be used as a base for the writing lessons and this half term the children will work on the language used and structure of biographies, non-chronological reports and poetry. We will work on further organisational and presentational devices to structure their texts for example the use of headings, bullet points and underlining. The children will discover the difference between formal and informal writing and understand when and how to use these.	
Mathematics	The children will deepen their understanding of decimals, fractions and percentages. They will solve real life problems related to shapes, angles and measures.	
	Multiplication facts: Children should learn all their multiplication and division facts for all the times tables up to 12×12 / $144 \div 12$.	Learn By Heart Targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I know the equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. • I know facts relating to angles.
Creative Curriculum	The title of our topic in our creative curriculum lessons this half term is 'Darwin's Delights'. The children will find out all about Charles Darwin and the discoveries he made whilst travelling all around the world on the ship HMS Beagle. This will then lead us on to learning about his scientific work on evolution, inheritance and natural selection. The children will be investigating how animals adapt to their environment. At the end of the terms, we will be displaying our work for parents in an exhibition called "Darwin's Museum".	
Physical Education	In P.E this half term, year six children will be developing their striking and fielding skills through the game of hockey. In addition they will be take part in indoor and outdoor athletics, to build upon their stamina and fitness levels. The children will be using a range of equipment and further develop skills, including throwing and catching. At the end of this half term children will participate in an athletic and hockey competition, to help develop healthy attitudes to winning and losing.	

Year Group:	Six	Term:	Autumn 2 2017
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These are the websites we will be using this half term to help with our school work.

Animal poetry

<http://www.poetry4kids.com/cat-Animal.html>

All about Charles Darwin

<http://darwin200.christs.cam.ac.uk/node/5>

Fractions, decimal and percentages

<https://www.mathsisfun.com/decimal-fraction-percentage.html>

Examples of biographies

<http://www.ducksters.com/biography/>