



NEWSLETTER

For CLASS 6

September 2016



Welcome to Year 6!

We hope you had a wonderful holiday and are ready for an exciting - and busy - term. We are looking forward to exploring the delights of Ancient Egypt and experiencing the exhilarating challenges of our PGL trip.

Our Autumn newsletter provides details of our learning opportunities and the PGL trip will be explained in our upcoming meeting.

Swimming

Swimming kit: swimming costume for girls, Speedo style trunks for boys, towel, goggles (with completed permission slip).

Swimming will take place on a Thursday afternoon for Year 5 and Year 6. Please note that swimming lessons for Year 5 and Year 6 will begin on Thursday 8th September at Stratford Leisure Centre.

Sports

Class 6 P.E will take place on Tuesday afternoons. The children will be receiving their sports coaching from Carl Gallagher.

A reminder that all children are expected to wear the correct sports/P.E kit in school. This consists of a plain white T-shirt (with no logos), red shorts and black pumps, (please check the size!). P.E kits should remain in school every day and will be sent home half termly. An outdoor sports kit (dark blue or black tracksuit, white T-shirt and trainers) will also be required.

Children should also bring a carrier bag for wet trainers/clothes, which will then be sent home.

Homework Information

Homework should last approximately half an hour - if your child is struggling to finish, please sign their work to signify this or write a note in their homework diary. The diaries are a valuable source of communication between home and school, so please ensure your homework diary is in school every day.

Mrs Stock's homework

Issued: Tuesday

Due in: Monday

1. *Mental strategy and multiplication table to learn for next week's test.*
2. *Topic/Maths*

Mrs Steward's homework

Issued: Friday

Due in: Friday

1. *Spellings*
2. *Science/spelling activity*

Our Curriculum



This term our Topic is Ancient Egypt.

ENGLISH: We will be reading and writing narrative texts with a focus on characterisation and development of atmosphere. We will also be exploring a range of non-fiction texts including: explanation, instruction and report writing.

HISTORY: We will be finding out about significant events in Ancient Egypt and the daily life and beliefs of the people who lived there.

SCIENCE: Through our topics of Evolution and Inheritance we will look at how living things have changed over time and how they are adapted to their environment.

MATHEMATICS: Our focus will be: properties of number; use of the formal written methods for the four operations and in depth exploration of fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be investigating area, perimeter and volume.

GEOGRAPHY: We will look at where Egypt is located, practise our mapping skills and investigate the significance of the River Nile to the people of Ancient Egypt.

ART/DT: We will be exploring the use of colour and tone in the art work of Ancient Egypt. We will then apply this knowledge in the creation of replica artefacts and images.

ICT: We will be using coding to create virtual tours or engaging presentations linked to our Topic of Ancient Egypt.

RE: Our studies of the Christian and Hindu faiths will include: exploring the ways art can be used to express religious beliefs; understanding the importance of symbolism and how we can care for our world.

PSHE: Initially we will be focussing on exploring our learning styles and the concept of a growth mindset. We will then move to working on Keeping Safe & the Taking Care Project.

FRENCH: Increasing vocabulary. Spoken and written French (specialist French teacher).
Translating texts.

MUSIC: We will be investigating musical structure and attempting to play instruments or sing with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.

Diary dates

16th September: Welcome Service -
Church at 9.30am

Date tbc: PGL meeting

30th September: Macmillan Coffee
morning

4th October: Harvest Festival

5th&6th October: Parents' Evening -
3.30 - 6.30 pm

18th- 21stOctober: PGL trip Years 5/6

5th November: FABs Community
Bonfire

And finally...

Please could you ensure your child has an old shirt in school to protect their uniform during our Art activities.

Also, if your child has their own recorder please could they bring it school on Monday.

We are looking forward to an exciting term which will involve lots of challenges and successes. Please do not hesitate to contact us about any issues that may arise or any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,
Rebecca Stock & Wendy Steward

