

Year 6 Learning Journey

Spring 1



English

Much of our writing this half term will be linked to the story 'Kick' by Mitch Johnson and 'Highway Man' by Alfred Noyes.

We will be writing a news report about child labour which links in with our story Kick and writing a first-person narrative about the story Highway man.

We will continue to read regularly with all children throughout this term and ask that you support your child/children at home with their reading as often as possible. Please record any reading they do in their reading records.

History and Geography

In History we will look at Lady of Mercians. We will answer the question, 'Why did the Vikings dominate large parts of Britain by 910?'

In Geography we will look at migration and answer the question, 'How is migration causing change in the Shetland Islands?'

Science

Our topic this term is 'Electric Circuits'. In this we will be learning all about how electrical appliances work, the importance of safety when using electrical appliances and designing their own circuit diagrams.

Parents as Partners

Please read with your child everyday and practise their spellings and times tables. Working through examples of SATs questions would also support your child. These can be found [here](#).

Art and Design / Design Technology

This half term the learning focus is artwork using Print. We will be producing batik images in response to the work of the artist Chinwe Chukwuogo.

Religious Education

In RE we will be explaining how community is an essential and enjoyable part of life for people of every age and faith. The cycle of a year and the span of a lifetime contains occasions for regular celebrations as well as unexpected surprises, when people want to celebrate with family, friends and communities.

'Learning together in faith and love, we shine as children of God'

Computing

In Computing we will be exploring the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. First, we will find out what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed. Then they use variables to create a simulation of a scoreboard.

Modern Foreign Languages

We'll be conquering how to explain what we are doing in class and our hobbies outside of class using Spanish.

Physical Education

We will be focusing on swimming this half term. Pupils focus on swimming more fluently and with increased confidence and control. Pupils work to improve their swimming strokes, learn personal survival techniques and how to stay safe around water. Pupils have to keep afloat and propel themselves through the water.

Mathematics

We will be starting the term by introducing the children to ratio then moving onto algebra equations.

Times table practice and number fact recall will be a daily event to ensure that we all have a sound understanding of our tables and number facts.

We will continue to practise arithmetic style questions.

Music

This half term the learning is focused around one song from Benjamin Britten's 'Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol'. Other learning within the unit gives your class the opportunity to research Benjamin Britten's life.