



**Year 6 Spring Term 2018**  
**You can make a difference too!**

### English

In English we will be studying a range of different text types this term including: diary and letter writing, poetry, non-chronological reports and mystery stories. We will also continue to use drama to deepen our understanding about character and motives within a text.

As part of our history topic, we will focus upon The West African slave trade and Benin and the pupils will have the opportunity to develop research and note taking skills. They will also take part in a range of debates in Humanities and RE.

To support your child with their learning, we would encourage you to practise writing, spelling and grammar @ BBC Revisewise, [www.crickweb.co.uk](http://www.crickweb.co.uk), <http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy2.htm> or google Coxhoe Primary school for even more activities.

### Maths

Your child should be confident recalling times tables up to 12x12

Solve problems involving perimeter and area.

Calculate simple ratio and proportion.

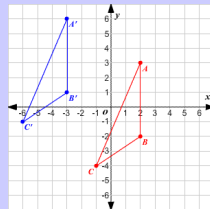
Read scales and convert units of measure (e.g. length, weight and capacity).

Solve problems involving algebra.

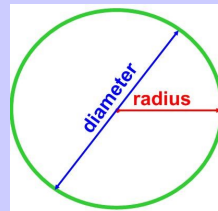
Read and plot coordinates.

Estimate and measure angles accurately. Find the value of missing angles.

Percent	Decimal	Fraction
1%	0.01	$\frac{1}{100}$
5%	0.05	$\frac{1}{20}$
10%	0.1	$\frac{1}{10}$
12½%	0.125	$\frac{1}{8}$
20%	0.2	$\frac{1}{5}$
25%	0.25	$\frac{1}{4}$
33 ⅓%	0.333...	$\frac{1}{3}$
50%	0.5	$\frac{1}{2}$



Use pie charts, line graphs and bar charts.



Area of a circle =  $\pi \times \text{radius}^2$

Circumference of a circle =  $\pi \times \text{diameter}$

Remember that the **diameter = 2 x radius**

### Music

Pupils will continue with music lessons this term. They will be using the iPad software 'Garage Band'.

### PSHE and RE

Pupils this term will learn about how people have influenced change in society. We will also begin our RSE lessons. In RE we will be thinking about the enquiry question, 'Is anything ever eternal'? Why not ask your child about this at home?

### Languages

Children will be learning Mandarin with Mr Laiou.

### Topic

During Spring Term 1, alongside our exciting English topic, Year 6 will be studying the history and culture of Benin to inform their writing. Use this useful link to support your child's learning at home: <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/z3n7mp3>

In Spring Term 2, children will be looking at building series circuits as well as applying their understanding of electricity to design a house alarm or set of traffic lights. They will plan, conduct and evaluate their experiments whilst broadening their use of scientific vocabulary.



Thank you for your on-going support at home! Please continue to listen to your child read and carry out maths activities with them at least four times per week.

This Spring term, pupils will complete a section from their SPAG and Maths revision guides. The expectation is that they complete three pages for SPAG and three pages for maths per week. We expect pupils to mark their own work so that they understand their areas for development. All work must be handed in by Thursday and is set on a Friday.



P.E. days will vary for both Y6 classes. Please ensure that your child has a named kit in school at the start of the week ready for their two weekly PE sessions.

### Trips

We are so excited about our school trips this term! Year 6 will be visiting the Sainsbury's Centre to take part in some workshops focusing on African art. There will also be some reward trips for selected pupils who have gone 'Over and Above' in their learning.