



Year 6

Spring Term 2 2020

English

This half term in English we will be writing narratives. We will be exploring characters and settings and integrating dialogue to move the action forward. We will be using Alex Rider stories and 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan for inspiration.

We will continue to have our weekly spelling quiz. Your child should also be learning the Year 5/6 irregular spellings at home.



Maths

This half-term in maths we will be continuing to study **shape, space and measure** and then moving onto **data handling**. We will start by focusing on converting between different units of measure (e.g. grams to kilograms, millilitres to litres, etc.) and solving problems involving these measurements. Next we will study time: the children will learn how to convert between different units of time, how to read timetables and how to solve problems involving time. Finally, we will be looking at data handling (with a specific focus on line graphs) and probability later on in the term. In our arithmetic lessons, we will be continuing to focus on solving calculations involving fractions (adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing) as well as continuing to develop our understanding of percentages and how to find a percentage of an amount (e.g. finding 15% of 260). Don't forget to keep practising your child's times tables with them at home. They should be fluent in all times tables up to 12×12 .



Key Vocabulary

Science: blood vessel, alveoli, valves, lungs, artery, vein, capillary, circulatory villi, digestive, gas Exchange

Geography: rural, urban, settlement, man-made, natural, features, local county, region

French: *Il y a* (there is/ there are), *c'est* (it is), *l'école* (school), *printemps* (spring), *été* (summer), *automne* (autumn) and *hiver* (winter)

Topic

Geography: 'Our Local Area' forms the basis of geography study this half-term where we will explore the history and development of Queens Hills.

French: We will finish our unit looking at our school and then will move onto talking about the seasons and weather.



Science & Computing

Science: In science we will be studying the human vascular and respiratory systems.

Computing: We shall finish our 3D graphical modelling work using Google Sketchup. After this we shall be creating and publishing information using Purple Mash '2Publish Plus'.



Music

This term we will continue to have weekly music lessons delivered by Sistema. This half-term we will continue to take part in digital music lessons and will learn more about how to create digital music using the app 'GarageBand'.



Sports

For the Games element of PE, we will focus upon netball. We will be developing the following skills: passing, attack and defence, shooting, positioning and the rules of the game. In Real PE, our sessions will look to develop the children's ability to transfer and combine skills competitively.



RE / RSE / PSHE

In PSHE we will be exploring healthy relationships and permission seeking and giving. Our health lessons will focus on recognising the early signs of physical illness. In RSE, we shall explore how sexual intercourse leads to reproduction and the correct terms to describe male and female genitals.





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Weekly diary

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Journals hand in. (Make sure you have read x4 times and completed x4 maths activities by today) P.E. kit and water bottles brought into school
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bring swimming kit in (if applicable) Bring in library books to change during our class library slot
Wednesday	
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Learning due in
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly spelling test in class and new spellings handed out Home Learning sent home P.E. kits and water bottles to go home for a wash

Key dates this half-term

Wednesday 4th March	Read Aloud Day
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day (dress-up day)
Thursday 19th March	'Young Science Leaders' from OVA Y7 leading a science workshop—Aigles D'or
Tuesday 24th March	8:30-9:15 - Parent Breakfast Café
Thursday 26th March	'Young Science Leaders' from OVA Y7 leading a science workshop—Renard
Thursday 2nd April	Last Day of Term

News

Are you free for an hour a week after school? We need keen volunteers to run after school netball and football clubs for year 5/6 this half-term. Please let Mr Jones know if you are willing to support us.

Mrs White, Mrs Sims and Mr Jones hope that you all had a restful and enjoyable break!

Home Learning

Weekly spellings will be based upon the Year 5/6 word list and will be sent home for your child to learn; they will have a weekly spelling test on a Friday. In addition, your child will need to complete a set number of pages from their CGP workbooks. The page numbers that they need to complete will be recorded in their reading record.

School Trips

If there are any parents who would be willing to come along on a school trip with us this year or on those of other year groups, please speak to your child's class teacher!

