



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2017/18

This term we will be exploring the following topic:

- The 'Unsinkable' Titanic

We are a Rights Respecting School.

We will recognise our right to receive a good education.

In our spiritual and moral development we will learn:

- To work alongside others, taking into account & respecting their different views & opinions.
- To understand and respect beliefs and practices of a different culture.

As members of the community we will:

- Actively encourage members of the local community to develop and maintain healthy lifestyles.

As creative people we will:

- Develop understanding of sportsmanship and a healthy lifestyle.
- Create artistic pieces relating to the 'unsinkable' titanic.

As enterprising people we will:

- Take part in the Christmas Fair and encourage people to purchase our items.

A message from your child's class teacher:

Welcome back! We hope you have all enjoyed the summer break! As always, we have many exciting events planned for the upcoming autumn terms including performing at the Christmas production, a visit to Nissan and our annual visit to the pantomime with the rest of the school. We would ask parents/carers to support us in this context by ensuring that consent forms are sent back in to school as soon as possible so the administration process is made easier. Thank you for your support in relation to this! As the weather conditions are unpredictable, could we please request that P.E. kits remain in school at all times, including suitable outdoor footwear (trainers). Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any problems or queries.

This term, you can support your child by:

- Encouraging them to complete their homework and learn their spelling words by heart.
- Allow them to access websites and/or apps that further develop their understanding of our topics and our learning in English and Mathematics.
- Do your best to ensure your child attends school every day and is punctual.
- Ensure your child gets plenty of sleep!

Special Events/Announcements:

We will be visiting Nissan during the month of October. Children will be using this visit to develop their understanding of machinery with relation to transport in order to support their understanding of the 'unsinkable' titanic. In addition to this, our classes will be engaging in the preparation for Harvest Festival, Christmas Productions very soon!

To support this, please ensure that consent forms are returned as soon as possible. Thank you!

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English	During the summer term, we will be exploring the genre of non-fiction with an in depth analysis of the Titanic. We will be reading information from historical sources and newsletters to consolidate our understanding of a variety of literary techniques.
Mathematics	We will be continuing to master a range of mathematical skills and concepts with a direct focus on calculating efficiently, problem solving and using and applying to real life situations. The areas we will cover are: number, place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions.
Science	This term we will be studying two specific areas in science, 'Classification' and 'Healthy Lifestyles'. Our work in this subject will be a mixture of theory based work as well as practical work- where children will take an active role in their own scientific investigations.
Computing	We will be using a range of programs to produce and publish our own non-fiction texts relating to the Titanic. Children will also develop their English skills through our subscription with Lexia Core 5; an innovative gaming app which allows children to learn at their own pace and compete against other children of their ability.
History	Children will begin to learn all about the lifestyle of those from the 'Anglo-Saxons', their culture and beliefs. This is an incredibly rich topic, with a wide breadth of learning opportunities.
Geography	Children will develop skills such as: navigating and using maps and atlases; developing technical, geographical vocabulary and learning to identify some of the key features of the journey of the Titanic.
Physical Education	Throughout the term, our classes will be working towards developing our understanding of ball games i.e. tennis, rounders, football etc.
Art & Design	We will be designing and making our very own lifeboats to understand what is necessary to make a device sink or swim. We will also be contributing to our classroom displays by creating a 'Titanic' masterpiece.
Languages	We will continue to learn to ask and respond to questions in relation to sports and weather in French.

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<p>PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education)</p>	<p>We will be considering how we grow and care for ourselves and the importance of valuing differences and keeping ourselves safe.</p>
<p>SEAL (Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning)</p>	<p>The two topics we will cover this term linked to our 'Social and Emotional Aspects of Learning' (SEAL) are: 'Relationships' and 'Changes'. Coverage in these areas will help children to develop children's motivation and support them with setting their own achievable targets.</p>
<p>Religious Education</p>	<p>Children will be building on their knowledge to find out more about Christian beliefs, lifestyles and culture.</p>
<p>Music</p>	<p>The children will continue to work alongside an external practitioner each Wednesday to develop a wide range of skills related to playing the guitar.</p>

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