



Year 6 Curriculum Letter

**Autumn 1
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Welcome to Year 6!

We hope you have had a restful break and are ready for Year 6. If you have any questions about your child's progress or other matters, please speak to your class teacher or Mr Barr by making an appointment via the email learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk. There is a lot to do this half term, so we hope this letter will enable you to support your child with their learning at home.

English

This half term we will focus on what makes effective writing. Your child will be focusing on creating atmosphere through describing the setting and ensuring their writing has cohesion. They will ensure their writing includes simple, compound and complex sentences. We will link our text from Destination Reader to write a diary entry from the perspective of one of the characters in War Horse; exploring feelings, thoughts and impressions. Grammar will focus on knowledge of the different word classes (e.g. nouns, adverbs) and how we use them in our writing.

Science

Our topic this half term is 'Living things and their habitats'. We will learn about classification and the differences between various types of organisms. We will conduct an experiment looking at the growth of bacteria on bread. One activity you could complete — visit the Natural History Museum. You can do this virtually. Discover how animals are classified using the Linnaean Classification System.

Computing -Communication and collaboration

Children will explore how data is transferred over the internet including how data is addressed and structured. They will then look at how the internet supports communication and working together. The children will also learn about what should and should not be shared online.

PSHE

Our first topic is Relationships. The children will learn about their personal identity and issues faced in the world such as racism, bullying and stereotyping.

Maths

Our focus this half term will be on: place value; written calculations for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; measurement facts and improving our arithmetic skills. Pupils will build on their ability to solve problems and use accurate mathematical vocabulary to answer reasoning questions. This will focus on the concepts mentioned above.

In order to prepare for SATs, your child will have a weekly arithmetic test which they will bring home. Please go through the test with your child.

Please support your child by quizzing them on their multiplication and division facts and ensure they log on to TT Rockstars.

History

Our topic for history this half term is The Tudor Period We will learn about why the Tudor period started, the renowned monarch Henry VIII, his six wives and why he felt the need to argue with the Pope. They will learn what it was like to live during this period in British history. We will be visiting the Tower of London.

Music

They will learn about the American musician Alton Glenn Miller and his swing band. They discover more about swing-style jazz and the band leaders of 1930s and 1940s America.

Religion and World Views

This term the topic is affliction and how different people have different views. One area we look at is what different people believe about creation.

P.E

Children will be working on cognitive skills and ball skills by following the Real PE scheme. Mr Thomas will be teaching invasions games: basketball, football etc

Art

Children explore photographic techniques, creating images through photomontage, understanding self-portraits, and applying digital photography to art design, enhancing their skills in composition and editing.

Home Learning

Reading Record

Ensure your child is reading for 30 minutes every day, They must record their reading in their reading record which their teacher will check.

Spellings

Spellings will go home on a Monday and they will be tested on a Thursday.

Maths

Please ensure your child is completing the sound check on TT Rockstars every day,

Maths focus for this half term is Place Value and Calculations. (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)

Weekly homework will be in CGP books which will be set on Thursdays and returned on Tuesdays.

Comprehension

Your child's teacher will set weekly comprehension task from the Collins Book, which will be set on Thursdays and returned on Tuesdays.

Please speak to your child's teacher if there are any issues with homework.