



Year 6 Newsletter

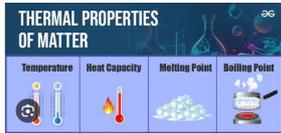
**Summer 2
2024**

We are now in the final eight weeks of Year 6. Sadly, your child's time at Wembley Primary School is coming to an end. We hope that these final weeks will be memorable for your child as they prepare for transitioning to high school. In these last weeks, we want to ensure the children's final assessments show a true reflection of their ability. We will also be organising fun activities, which will build their confidence and prepare them for the future. We wish them the best of luck for their time at secondary school.

English
Please ensure your child reads for 30 minutes every day and the book they choose is challenging, especially in terms of language. Children need to complete their reading record once they have read.

In English lessons this half term your child will be focussing on the independent writing in preparation for secondary school through drafting and editing process. During this time we focus on composition, precision of language, manipulation of language and vocabulary.

Science
Children will be applying their scientific knowledge to themed projects about melting points and thermal conductivity. These projects will support your child's transition to secondary school.



PSHE
We will learn about criminal exploitation and gangs, as well as work around NSPCC Speak Out, Stay campaign. We will lead workshops to support transition to secondary school.

Wizard of Oz Production
6W and 6P - 16th July
6S and 6F - 18th July
Year 6 Disco
23rd July



Computing
This unit explores the concept of variables in programming through games in 'Scratch'. Over the unit, children will create a game using variables to keep score. They will start by using and modifying an existing game before designing and creating their own.

Destination Reader
We are continuing to read 'The Graveyard Book' by Neil Gaiman. We will delve into a deeper understanding of the English language, focusing on improving our vocabulary and exploring origins of words. We encourage pupils use the language they have learned in their writing.

Art
This term we shall be exploring Impressionism through the Artist Edgar Degas. His work focuses on Parisian ballerinas, looking at movement and form.



Maths
This half term we will be ensuring your child is secure in the key areas of maths, which they will need as they go on to secondary school: number and place value, fractions, decimals and percentages, ratio and proportion, measurement and calculations.

We will be carrying out maths investigations which will require the children to use and apply their mathematical knowledge.

Please ensure your child is accessing Times Tables Rockstars in order to improve their rapid recall of multiplication and division facts.

Geography
This half term, we will focus on fieldwork skills, firstly studying maps and how to use them. Children will plan routes around London, using OS maps, symbols and 6-figure grid references. Children will record land use and use a map key. Your child will complete some orienteering challenges in school and beyond.

PE
Your child will have the opportunity to participate in athletics and compete in Sports Day (more details to follow).

If you wish to discuss your child's progress an appointment can be made with us. Please let us know the day before. We are available at the end of the school day at 3.30pm for short discussions.

Thank you - Mrs Mentore 6W Mr Horwood 6P Miss Khatun-Ali 6S Miss Salloub 6F



Year 6 Topic Home Learning Summer 2

Complete all three challenges by Monday 15th July 2024

Don't forget to read and practise spellings every day.

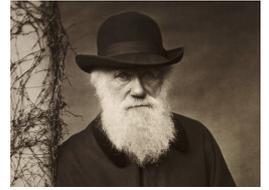
Science —Year 6 Retrieval

Evolution

Make a fact file about **CHARLES DARWIN**, **ALFRED RUSSELL WALLACE** or **MARY ANNING**.

Include:

- When and where were they born?
- Where he or she worked?
- What were their important scientific discoveries?
- How did their discovery change Science and how we understand ourselves?
- When did they die?



PSHE—Secondary School Transition

Make a list of the equipment you will need to take to your new secondary school.

Find out what the school uniform is and where you will need to purchase it.

What is the school's policy concerning jewellery, hair and shoes?

If you can, speak to children who attend your new school and find out how it is different from Wembley Primary School.

Don't forget your Taster Day will take place this half term so ensure you know when it is.



Super Power of Looking

This half term focuses on the 'Armada Portrait' of Elizabeth I (1533–1603) painted by an unknown English artist around 1588.



Discuss the questions below with your parent and submit answers on Google classroom or in your red book.

1. Has the artist captured Elizabeth's image quickly or carefully arranged (constructed) the composition?
2. Can you see the artist's individual brush marks or are these disguised to help us believe we are looking at a real person? Why?
3. Does the sitter's expression contrast with or complement the scenes behind her?
4. What do you think she is feeling?
5. How does Elizabeth's form interrupt the two scenes in each window?

English

Write a discussion piece about a topic which interests you. Remember to include an introduction, a paragraph with statements for the argument, a paragraph with statements against the argument and then a conclusion.

Here are some suggested titles:

Should social media be banned?

Should the government provide laptops for all children?

Should electric scooters be banned?

Don't forget to use the features of Year 6 writing you will be assessed on.

Relative clauses, modal verbs, variety of punctuation, subordinating and coordinating conjunctions, variety of openers including fronted adverbials, the subjunctive and a shift in formality.