

English: We are Readers and Authors

This half term, we will begin with a focus on narrative writing skills including character descriptions and setting the scene. Linked to our Enquiry, we will be writing persuasive letters to affect change within our school environment to help save our planet!

Reading: Our class texts will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts around the idea of saving our planet.

How can you help at home? Listen to your child read at least three times a week; share a book or an audiobook with your child and talk about actions, characters and reasons for their behaviour. Read other texts based on real life events and make links and comparisons. Encourage your child to write for purpose – this could be a recipe, a diary or match report.

The children will apply their knowledge of coding to create loops in games leading to them modifying and creating their own games using loops.

Outdoor Games: Rounders and Athletics
Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on their PE day
5SJ – Monday Indoor PE, Thursday Outdoor PE
6SP – Tuesday Outdoor PE, Friday Indoor PE

Important dates:

12th June: Maths Parent Workshop

19th June: Year 6 Leavers Service

2nd July: Transition/Move Up Day

3rd-5th July: Year 6 Residential

5th July: Year 5 at Capel Military Show

9th July: Sports Day AM

17th July: Year 6 Leavers production AM

18th July: Year 6 Leavers production AM

22nd July: Year 6 Leavers party

23rd July: End of school term

How are you helping to save the planet?

In this enquiry, as geographers we will be exploring the impact of humans on the environment and how this differs across the world. As scientists, children will investigate the life cycles of plants and animals. We will consider, as engineers, how small changes and products can help to protect and improve the world for humans and for wildlife. Children will be persuading others to be environmentally conscious through their choices.

This half term Year 6 will be focusing on Real life project work for example managing money.

In Year 5, we will be returning to decimals, this time exploring calculation with decimals. We will also look at negative numbers, converting between units of measure as well as volume.

How you can help at home? Help your child apply their maths in practical situations. Encourage your child to use the Times Table Rockstar App to learn their times tables and associated division facts. Encourage your child to use number facts to mentally add and subtract with decimals.

This half term in Year 5 we will be using the text, 'Aaron Slater. Illustrator' by Andrea Beaty. The children will be developing their understanding of the power of art, finding your voice and learning to tell your own story. Year 6 we will be using 'Finding my voice' by 'Aoife Dooley focussing on transition from Primary to Secondary School.

What does it mean to live a 'good life'? Children will draw on a variety of units focussing on different religions to answer this question.

As linguists, the children will be revisiting their learning from over the past year. They will be focussing on conversational language and the written word.

What have you been today?

What have you enjoyed being today and what did you learn?



Year 5 and 6 Learning at Home: Summer 2 – How are you helping to save the planet?

Weekly Non-Negotiables

Read five times a week with an adult. Ask an adult to sign your reading record every time you read.

Learn your spellings at least three times a week on Spelling Shed. You will be given new spellings on a Monday, which will be tested on Friday.

Learn your times tables and associated facts at least three times a week on Times Table Rock Stars or on paper, get a parent to record this in your homework diary.

Recommended Reads:

Listen to podcasts about the environment

Watch Blue Planet

The Tree an environmental fable

Lots the diversity of life on earth

Optional Homework:

Find out about local initiatives in the area.

Optional Homework:

Create a piece of art or 3d model using recycled material.

Optional Homework:

Create a poster for school on how the community can make changes to help save the planet.

Optional Homework:

Write a narrative about a character who helps save the planet.

Write a newspaper article highlighting current issues around saving our planet.

Optional Homework:

Write an acrostic poem.

Please bring any optional homework, which you wish to share with your teacher or class, into school by: **Monday 15th July.**