

Curriculum Newsletter – Year 6

Summer 2021

After another strange term, we are back and raring to go! Home learning is not a substitute for school learning and we have amended the summer term curriculum to focus on those key areas of learning that the children may have missed or still need to learn in order for them to be as ready as possible for secondary school.

Children will continue to come to school in their P.E. kits on a Tuesday and a Thursday. A reminder that they should bring a bottle with only water in everyday and not just on P.E days.

Children should continue to read every day, please can you hear them at least three times a week and sign their reading records. Also encourage them to make notes in their reading record books about their thoughts on the book that they are reading. We will continue to collect these books in every Monday and talk to your child about their reading.

We will be having an end of term school production for Year 5 and 6. If permitted, parents will be able to attend. The performance will take place on Tuesday 20th and 21st of July at 5:30pm. More information to follow after half term.

On Thursday 15th July, pupils will be invited to attend a 'leavers do' from 6-8pm.

We have an exciting term ahead. Here are some of the areas we will be covering...

Topic: Our learning units will be 'Hola Mexico' focusing on the Aztecs and 'A Child's War' looking at WW2 from the perspective of a child.

Maths: We have put in place booster classes (supported by Mrs Mills and Mrs Burns) to supplement main class teaching. This will allow children the opportunity to consolidate and learn new concepts that were perhaps missed in the Spring term.

English: We have been using our 'Talk for Writing' approach to learn about persuasive writing. We will also be revisiting newspaper writing and looking at warning stories, myths and explanation texts.

Science: We will be studying 'Evolution and Inheritance'.

ART/DT: We will be looking at Aztec Art and making masks.

ICT: We will be using sequence, selection, and repetition in programs; work with variables and various forms of input and output.



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Summer term reading list suggestions

Recommended books for 'A Child's War'.

The Silver Sword	●	Ian Serraillier	9780099572855
Time Train to the Blitz		Sophie Mackenzie	9780746097533
Who Was Anne Frank?		Ann Abramson	9780141365749
True Stories of the Blitz		Henry Brook	9781409583707
Anne Frank		Susanna Davidson	9780746068182
Blitz (My Story)		Vince Cross	9781407146102
Carrie's War		Nina Bawden	9780141354903
Once		Morris Gleitzman	9780141320632
The Kingdom by the Sea		Robert Westall	9780007301416
My Friend the Enemy		Dan Smith	9781908435811
The Amazing Story of Adolphus Tips		Michael Morpurgo	9780007182466
World War II		DK Eyewitness	9781409343677
The Diary of a Young Girl		Anne Frank	9780141315188
The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas		John Boyne	9781909531192
The Lion and the Unicorn		Shirley Hughes	9780099256083
World War 2 (Explore!)		Jane Bingham	9780750288835
War Boy: A Wartime Childhood		Michael Foreman	9781843650874
Voices from the Second World War		First News (UK) Limited	9781406360110

Recommended books for 'Hola Mexico'.

Title	Author	ISBN	
Holes	●●	Louis Sachar	9781408865231
Off We Go to Mexico: An Adventure in the Sun		Laurie Krebs	9781846861581
Avoid being a Mayan Soothsayer! (Danger Zone)		Rupert Matthews	9781905638321
Ancient Maya (The Ancient World)		Barbara A. Somervill	9780531259818
The History Detective Investigates: Mayan Civilization		Clare Hibbert	9780750294164
The Maya (Great Civilisations)		Tracey Kelly	9781445134147
Mexico (Been There!)		Annabel Savery	9781445132907
Daily Life in the Maya Civilization		Nick Hunter	9781406298567
Cultural Traditions in Mexico		Lynn Peppas	9780778775942
Mayan Civilisation (Explore!)		Izzi Howell	9781526300188
Mexico (Unpacked)		Susie Brooks	9780750291699
The Hero Twins: Against the Lords of Death		Dan Jolley	9781580138925