

Spring 2 Newsletter

Hello to all of our Year Five and Six families. We are very excited for the next half term of this academic year. Below you will find a brief overview of each subject and some key information.

What are we learning this half term?	
<p>Composition</p> <p>As writers, we will be switching our focus to the film, "Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets". The children will be given the chance to watch the film, with the aim of creating a range of different texts of varying genres.</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>In Geography, we will be building on a lot of the knowledge gained in Spring 1 as we move onto our "Scandinavia" unit. This builds on the 'Anglo-Saxons and Vikings' unit and takes a closer look at the countries which the Vikings settled in and what they look like now.</p>
<p>Maths</p> <p>As mathematicians, Year 5 and 6 will both be increasing their focus to fractions, decimals and percentages.</p>	<p>Science</p> <p>As scientists, we will be studying 'Life Cycles'. This builds on a lot of the learning which the children have experienced in previous years. This unit will be taking a closer look at the life cycles of plants and animals.</p>
<p>Reading</p> <p>As readers, we will continue to cover a range of different genres and question types over Spring 2. This gives us the opportunity to practice a variety of different reading skills and the children will have a new booklet to enjoy each week.</p>	<p>Music</p> <p>As musicians, we will be listening and recreating music through the unit "Keeping Healthy". This will include singing songs and exploring complex rhythms with voices and instruments for active performances.</p>
<p>P.E.</p> <p>As sports people, we will be focusing on our "Health and Fitness" unit, which involves the children participating in various team and individual games and reflecting on the fitness levels that are required to be successful.</p>	<p>DT</p> <p>In DT this half term, the children are going to build on their knowledge in our History unit on The Anglo-Saxons and Vikings and will be creating their own Viking longship!</p>
<p>R.E.</p> <p>In RE, we will once again be looking at Christianity and looking to answer the question, "How significant is it for Christians to believe God intended Jesus to die?". This will once again involve a lot of great class discussion and engaging writing activities.</p>	<p>PSHE</p> <p>We will be focusing on the unit 'Healthy Me' which looks at the effect of factors such as diet, smoking and drinking, as well as how we can be sensible and responsible when encountering these things.</p>

Please ensure that you are connected to Class Dojo. Key information will be shared on here including upcoming events and trips (and changes to them) and messages from class teachers. You can also keep track of your children's values points that are earned.



ClassDojo

Essentials

Blazer and tie to be worn with shirt and a skirt/trousers/school shorts.

Please note, make-up (including nails) nor cycling shorts are part of the school uniform.

- Water bottle
- PE Kit
- Snack

Diary/ Homework

3 x reading recorded per week

Spelling practise

Times table practise

Children's diaries are to be used to record weekly spellings to practise, weekly times table focus and to keep a record of when they read either with a family member or with themselves.

Teachers will be recording their reading sessions in school only.