



The Winns Primary School



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter – autumn 2 2021

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Key events:

6PB class assembly: Wednesday 15th November
6AM class assembly: Wednesday 8th December
Museum of Docklands trip:
Wednesday 10th November 6PB
Thursday 11th November 6AM
Friday 12th November 6NC

P.E

In this half term, children will be focusing on Athletics and Hockey. In Athletics, we will be exploring a range of different running, jumping and throwing techniques, which will include: sprinting, relays and baton exchange, long and triple jump and javelin.

PE lessons take place twice a week. If your child uses deodorant this needs to be a roll-on rather than a spray deodorant.

Design and Technology

Children will be designing and creating a model of a new playground. Children will learn how to visualise objects in plan view before creating their own structural designs. Their playground designs will feature five apparatus and these will be made from three different structures.

Introduction

Welcome to the overview of our curriculum for the second half of the autumn term. As well as the depth of the curriculum described here, we will be looking to make preparations for a Christmas performance near the end of the term.

The Year 6 teachers are:

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Weekly Schedules:

PE days:

6PB – Monday and Tuesday
6AM – Monday and Wednesday
6NC – Tuesday and Wednesday

Homework Days: Maths homework set every Friday. This will always be due the following Tuesday.

Reading: Year 6 will be taking out new books for home every Wednesday from the school library. They are encouraged to read 20 minutes every day.

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Science

This half term the children will explore the function of the human circulatory system. Furthermore, they will examine the role of the heart, blood vessels and the components of blood. An analysis of how our pulse rate responds to exercise will be conducted with a scientific reflection on this using data. They will also look to develop their understanding of the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on health.

Geography

In Geography the children will learn about **Globalisation** and the process by which the world is becoming increasingly interconnected as a result of massively increased trade and cultural exchange. They will learn about the production of goods and services and how the biggest companies are no longer national firms but multinational corporations with subsidiaries in many countries.

How to support your children at home

- Read with your child every day or when you can
- Go through homework
- Check your child knows their times tables
- Go through any in-class assessment papers that are brought home



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English

Children will be focusing on short story writing with a particular emphasis on the works of Paul Jennings. Children will use expanded noun phrases to describe things, people and places using adventurous adjectives, adverbs and similes. They will use clauses at the start of and within their sentences and punctuate them with commas, dashes, semi-colons and colons

PSHE

In this unit the children will look to recognise there are associated risks with legal and illegal harmful substances, such as smoking, alcohol use and drug-taking; identify what a risky choice is; identify the risks associated with alcohol; describe how alcohol can affect your immediate and future health and develop and recognise skills and strategies to keep safe.

RE

This term the children will continue to explore the theme of commitment within Hinduism and Christianity. In Hinduism, the children will explore Ahimsa and the key idea of idea harmlessness. In Christianity, the children will learn about the grace and forgiveness of God.

Maths

Following the work the children have undertaken on the four main operations in the previous term, they will now be exposed to a wide range of reasoning word problems, where these operations need to be used and applied accurately.

Furthermore, the children will continue to deepen their understanding of decimals through ordering and comparing. Reading and interpreting data will also be explored and strengthened. Fractions will start to be revisited with an emphasis on arithmetic as well as their use in reasoning activities.

Picking up arrangements/Covid-19

Parents will now be able to collect their child from the playground at the end of the day. The morning drop-off arrangements will remain the same, with the gates open at 8:50am and children making their way to their classes. In the event of a pupil catching Covid-19, school work will be provided to complete at home. This will not cause a class to go home and learning will continue as normal even if a child is a close contact. It is in the event of symptoms occurring that a PCR test and isolation are also necessary for a pupil.

Computing

The children will follow their learning about the history of Bletchley Park and how coding was developed by investigating and exploring historical figures who have made significant contributions to the world of computing. Following their own research they will then look to create a presentation on their chosen historical figure.

MFL

This half term the children will develop their speaking and listening skills; asking and responding to questions about football as well as working on their written French by adapting football player profiles. The children will also explore the use of different languages in Christmas songs.

Music

This part of the autumn term will be focused around learning and rehearsing a range of Christmas songs from around the world. We will look at a variety of European languages, including: French, Italian and German.