

Year 6 Newsletter

Term 5 2022: 19th April - 27th May 2022

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Welcome to Term 5 - A term of exploring our perfect planet!

Mathematics

In Mathematics, will be kicking off with exploring measurement, drawing upon our ability to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000 to convert between different units of measure and exploring finding the area and perimeter of shapes. We will also be working with ratio, statistics including finding the means of groups of data and delving into properties of shape. Daily arithmetic practice will also be forming part of our SATs revision.

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Our Perfect Planet' through which we will be exploring the wonders of our world; celebrating the variety of climates, habitats and living creatures Earth has to offer. This will lead into an examination of the impact humans have had on our planet before investigating the ways in which we can help our planet and therefore protecting the future of our planet, Earth. Our Writing lessons will also revolve around our topic where the children will be writing a combination of non-fiction and fictional writing about Our Perfect Planet, including a persuasive piece on how we can make a change to protect it.

Preparation for secondary

With two terms left of their primary career, we are beginning to shift our focus towards preparing the children for their secondary transition beyond their academic learning. Following pupil voice conducted during Term 4, the Year 6 team, alongside Miss Simpson have liaised with local secondary schools and have come up with a plan to prepare the children. Children's classes (Shen Kuo and Ibn Al Haythan) will now be referred to as their form groups and classes for Reading, Writing, Maths, Topic and PE have now been mixed between the classes so that the children have the opportunity to move between rooms and classrooms, allowing them to develop their independence and organisation and adapt to being taught by different teachers. Should you wish to learn more about this, please contact your class teacher who will be happy to speak to you about this exciting development!

Our Form Read

Our form readers (previously our class reader) has been chosen as a form group. Having explored the cover and blurbs of a selection of books, a democratic form vote decided the winning text. In Shen Kuo form, 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold won by an overwhelming majority and in Ibn Al-Haytham, 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' was the winning text. We look forward to immersing ourselves in these texts, discovering new literacy worlds, expanding our vocabulary and developing our reading skills as well as building a love of literature. Please ask your children about their chosen form book.

Science

Linked in with our Topic, we will be exploring animals and their habitats. We will be learning how to classify living things into groups based on observable characteristics, including animals, humans and microorganisms. Investigations into how nutrients and water are transported within animals will help us further understand biology and the systems that keep living things alive and healthy.

End of KS2 SATS

This term, the children in Year 6 will sit their end of KS2 SATS for GPS (2 papers), Reading (1 paper) and Maths (3 papers). These statutory assessments will be sat by Year 6s across the country and will cover subject content throughout the KS2 curriculum. See the timetable for these assessments below:

Key stage 2

The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 9 May to Thursday 12 May 2022.

Date	Activity
Monday 9 May 2022	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 10 May 2022	English reading
Wednesday 11 May 2022	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 12 May 2022	Mathematics paper 3

Should you wish to discuss how you can support your child in preparation for SATS or if you have any questions about these assessments, please contact your class teacher and they will be happy to answer any questions that you may have.