

English

The children will be developing their speaking, listening and inference skills through reading 'The Savage' and 'The Princess' Blankets' along with other stories throughout Autumn term.

They will be writing narratives and will be encouraged to include descriptive techniques and appropriate, adventurous vocabulary in their work.

They will also write a variety of other text types including writing in role, newspaper reports, recounts and balanced arguments and will be given the opportunity to debate in class. They will be learning different grammatical terms, a range of higher level punctuation marks and different spelling rules and strategies.

Important Dates

Tuesday 10th October – Hello Yellow Day.
Wednesday 11th October – Friday 13th October – KINGSWOOD residential.
Tuesday 17th October – Author visit.
Wednesday 18th October – Parents' Evening
Thursday 19th October – Parents' Evening
Friday 20th October – School closes.
Monday 30th October – School opens.
Friday 3rd November – 6M Class Assembly.
Friday 10th November – 6D Class Assembly.
Tuesday 14th November – Individual photos.
Friday 17th November – Children in need.
Friday 24th November – 6C Class Assembly.
Friday 8th December – Christmas production dress rehearsal.
Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Production.
Wednesday 20th December – Christmas dinner.
Thursday 21st December – Year 6 Christmas party.
Friday 22nd December – School closes.

How you can help!

- Please listen to your child read as often as you can.
- Please help your child complete their learning log, maths homework and learn times tables each week.

Science

Our first Science topic is Light. We will be investigating how light travels, how we see and shadow formation. We will complete experiments and use predictions, scientific diagrams and conclusions when completing written work in Science books.

Our second Science topic is Our Bodies. As part of this topic we will be learning about the heart and circulatory system. All year 6 children will be involved in a Forest Schools session each Monday.

Computing

During the term children will focus on how to use the Internet effectively and safely and communicate using forums to discuss various topics. They will also learn about data retrieval and will develop their typing skills.



P.E.

In the first half term for Indoor PE we will be developing dance techniques and skills on a Wednesday afternoon. On a Tuesday (6C & 6M)/Friday (6D) afternoon the children will be doing Tag Rugby for Outdoor PE.

In the second half term for Indoor PE the children will be taught gymnastics and will use the skills they learn to perform routines and evaluate other children's performances. For Outdoor PE we will be developing the skills required for basketball.

Maths

The units we will be covering this term include:
Place Value
Calculation strategies
Measures
Time
Algebra.

The children will also be applying the skills they learn to one and two step worded problems and problem solving activities. Puzzles and challenges will be regularly set to stretch mathematical thinking.

Art/D.T./Music/PSHE

During our D.T. sessions we will be researching, designing and making Viking Longships and evaluating their effectiveness.

In our Art sessions we will be creating Mayan Masks in Autumn 2.

In our Music sessions we will be singing songs linked to the Vikings, looking at notation and sheet music and learning the meaning of musical terminology.

In PSHE we will be covering a unit called 'My First Mobile Phone' in which the children will learn about mobile phones and safely using apps and online features.

History/Geography

Our History topic in the first half term is The Vikings. We will be finding out about:

- Events that occurred in the Viking period.
- Where the Vikings came from and where they settled.
- How they made their journey and why they came.
- What we have learned from the Vikings.

Our History topic in the second half term is The Mayans. We will be finding out about:

- Who the Mayans were and where they lived.
- What they built and traded.
- What rituals the Mayans carried out.
- How their ancient civilization disappeared.