

## Autumn Term 2017 - 2018: Year 6

**Curriculum overview:** We hope that this information, together with some ideas for working with your child at home, will both keep you up to date regarding what your child is doing in school and also help you to support your child's learning.

Subject	Work to be covered	Ways you can help your child at home
<b>LITERACY</b>	<p>Children will follow the new curriculum for literacy this year whereby lots of genres and text types are visited through books, short stories and other media. This term we will be looking at "Wonder".</p> <p><b>They will learn and perform a poem of their choosing.</b></p> <p>They will be revisiting a number of spelling rules which they are expected to apply to their written work and introduced to more challenging vocabulary. This together with the work on complex sentences and sophisticated punctuation will help to lift the children's writing levels and self-confidence. Children will be given spellings based on a particular rule and will be tested weekly.</p> <p>Lots of work will be done on grammar and punctuation, in preparation for the end of year SATs tests.</p>	<p>When reading with your child, ask open-ended questions to ensure they comprehend and fully understand the texts.</p> <p>You can encourage and assist your child in the preparation of their poetry performance, by letting them perform it in front of you (if they'll let you watch!) Also you could help with getting any props together or even a costume!</p> <p>You could ask your child what challenging words have they learnt and help them to learn the spelling of them.</p>
<b>NUMERACY</b>	<p>The children will follow the new Y6 curriculum from 2015 onwards. This term will include:</p> <p><b>Number and Place Value; Addition and subtraction; Properties of shape; Multiplication and division; Fractions; Position and direction; Decimals and measurement (length and time).</b></p> <p>Year 6 will take regular arithmetic tests to ensure they are ready for the mathematics SAT tests in 2018.</p>	<p>Ensure your child has a suitable place at home to complete their homework. If you have time sit with your child and help them with their understanding.</p> <p>Talk to your child about their maths homework – ask them to explain how they have solved a problem.</p> <p>Ask your child some times tables/division questions randomly and get them to test you too – who will be fastest?</p>
<b>SCIENCE</b>	<p>This term children will look at Electricity and the human body and will consolidate and extend their understanding and knowledge of the Key Stage 2 Science curriculum. Children will complete past papers, revision exercises and take part in a variety of exciting Science experiments and challenges covering areas such as materials, living things and physical processes.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to spend time looking at the KS2 Bitesize science revision section of the BBC schools website.</p>
<b>ICT</b>	<p>ICT skill development will run through a large proportion of your child's curriculum this term. Your child will be given the opportunity to improve their skills when browsing the internet for information during research sessions/presenting information/using netbooks and laptops. Your child will also be using iPads to write and create video reports from The Blitz.</p>	<p>Arrange for your child to have access to computers and other media outside of school either at home or at a local library. Encourage the use of educational ICT software/websites. Use the school's subscription to Purple Mash for all kinds of ICT work.</p>
<b>Learning Challenges.</b>	<p>This term the children will be covering several key skills in their learning challenge work.</p> <p>The children will concentrate predominantly on historical enquiry skills in the challenge: "What was it like to live in Leigh during WWII?"</p> <p>(The children will be sharing a remembrance day assembly in November).</p>	<p>Show an interest in what your child has learnt e.g. about WWII – visit the library and look at relevant books together and look out for suitable TV programs.</p> <p>Encourage your child's interest in their local area. See if older relatives can enhance their learning with stories/memories.</p>
<b>ART</b>	<p>We will be creating an atmospheric Blitz poster based on our work on WWII.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to be creative by making birthday or thank you cards for relatives.</p>
<b>P.E</b>	<p>The children this term will work on gymnastic skills in PE lessons. Other sports played will include Dodgeball.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to join a school sports team and/or a sports team outside of school.</p>

- Homework will be given out on a Friday and should be returned by Wednesday. However, this term there will be occasions when homework will need to be completed online through Mathletics.
- Look out for new and exciting before/after school clubs being provided by Premier Sports and encourage your children to try something different.
- Thank you for your continuing support.
- PE is on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child has their kit in school for the full half term.

