



# Year 6 Newsletter



The doors open at 8.45am and the children are expected to be in class no later than 8.55am to begin learning.

Please make sure your child is here on time to experience all our amazing learning.

**Class teacher: Mrs Buttery**  
Teaching assistant: Mrs Chippendale and Miss Shackel

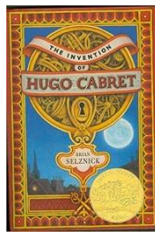
Please contact the school on 01274 545743 to discuss any matters or to arrange an appointment with Mrs Buttery.

In year 6 we are –  
**Reaching for the stars!**

## ENGLISH

Our class novel for this half-term is The Invention of Hugo Cabret. We will be basing our writing on the novel, and this half-term will cover Diaries, Instructions, Narrative and Explanations and Performance Poetry.

Grammar being covered this half-term includes: fronted adverbials, parenthesis, correct use of commas, past and present tense, semi-colons, colons and dashes. We will also look at punctuating formal and informal speech.



## MATHS

We begin the year with a recap of place value, looking at;

- Reading, writing ordering and comparing numbers up to 10,000,000.
- Rounding numbers accurately.
- Using negative numbers in context and across zero.

From there we move on to study the four operations in detail – looking at using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to solve word problems. Children will be expected to use the correct formal methods for multiplication and division.

Ask your child's class teacher if you are unsure or would like ideas to help your child.



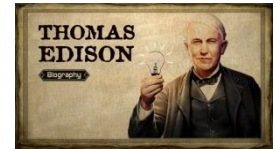
## SCIENCE

We will be finding out about modern and historical scientific ideas and processes. Focusing on famous scientists and their inventions. We will start the topic with research then we will test, compare and record data from our own tests and observations.



## GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY

The focus this half-term will be on history. Starting with the history of light (to link into Science) – we will look at inventions and discoveries from the past. Our focus will be on famous people whose ideas caused social change.



## PE

We are studying Dance and Athletics (with Miss.Studholme) this half-term. Please make sure your child has ALL their PE kit in school on the correct day, and that it is clearly labelled. Swimming is every Tuesday afternoon.

## ART, DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

In art lessons we will be developing our drawing techniques and create a piece of art in the futurist style.



## SPANISH

In Year 6, your child will receive weekly Spanish lessons. These lessons will focus on listening and speaking Spanish and inter-cultural understanding. They will start with looking at numbers, colours, weather, months and days of the week.



## MUSIC

We will listen to music created by different composers and explore the development of musical instruments. We will listen to music created by different composers and explore the development of musical instruments.



## PSHCE

During this half term the children will be learning about their Rights and responsibilities and Democracy in our world. In computing the children will be looking at E-safety.

## Homework

As well as reading every night, we will have spellings and times tables or maths facts to learn every week. Maths and English will be given on Thursday to be handed in on Tuesday and there will be a Topic Menu for the half term. Homework Club is in Y6 at 12.25, every Friday.

## Reading

Children are expected to read with an adult EVERY night. Please take 5-10 minutes to read and discuss their book. Asking questions and checking the meaning of tricky words helps with more challenging texts. Reading every day will help your child immensely in their SATs tests this coming year. Please sign their reading diary daily – thank you for your support.

## Dates for your diary:

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September – School Photographs.  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Macmillan Coffee Morning.  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October Cafod fundraising day for the hungry – more details to follow.  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations.