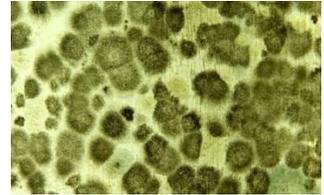


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CLASS 6 SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that everybody has had a good Christmas and New Year. The children have settled into their learning very quickly and the term is already in full swing! We will start off this term by exploring the question 'Where do we fit in?' This is a science-based topic and an overview of each curriculum area will be outlined below. After reading the newsletter, please let me know if you require any further information.

English

In English we will begin the term by reading and exploring David Almond's *Skellig*. We'll be using this book to inspire a wide range of creative writing. Key focuses will be using a variety of punctuation, sentence structures and vocabulary as well as demonstrating confidence in writing using different styles and for different purposes. Alongside this, we will be having daily Guided Reading sessions and separate lessons on spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Maths

In Maths we will continue to cover Y6 objectives, building in a wide range of opportunities for children to embed and develop their skills. As before, children will have lots of chances to practise their arithmetic skills. Some key focuses this term include area; perimeter and volume; angles; measure; and algebra.

History and Geography

Although our topic has a science focus this half-term, we'll be taking a look at the Galapagos Islands and exploring who lives there today.

Science

We will be exploring some of the key scientific themes explored and discussed in *Skellig*: classification, evolution, adaptation and inheritance. We'll be exploring the world of microorganisms through some exciting investigations.

Art and Design

We will be creating pictures around the theme of animals using a variety of media and creating our own fossils!

RE

This term we will be exploring the question 'Was Jesus the Messiah?' and in addition to this, learning about Muslim families.

Computing

In Computing we will be developing our programming skills by learning the language of JavaScript to write some simple programs including writing commands to create our own filters!

Music

In music we will be looking at Viking music and creating our own compositions.

French

We will be exploring the topic of where we live.

PSHE/SRE

We will be studying puberty and reproduction. Please let me know if you require further information or if you wish for your child to be excused from these sessions.

PE:

PE this half-term will take place on Thursdays and Friday. There will be one dance lesson and one hockey lesson each week.

Spelling homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and tested on the following Friday. Children should also spend half an hour on Athletics each week.

I hope this letter has been useful and informative. Please let me know if you require any further information.

Thank you for your support,

Kind regards,

Miss N Hislop