

# YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

## Spring Term

### In English this term:

Reading comprehension unit - the children will be completing a reading unit called The Giant's Necklace. During this unit, the children will be learning about different comprehension questions.

Macbeth - the children will be learning about William Shakespeare and will write a brief biography of him, using their understanding of bullet points. They will also be comparing different versions of a text, considering audience and purpose. The children will be using their inference skills to write from a viewpoint of Lady Macbeth.

The children will be learning about dilemmas in stories. During this week, they will: be learning how to debate, write a persuasive argument and a diary to show his mixed feelings.

Non-fiction - the children will be writing a range on non-fiction texts types based around our work on Brazil and the rainforests.

### Suggested activities to help your child in English this term:

Education City

BBC Bitesize

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/>

<http://spellingframe.co.uk/>

### In Maths this term:

The children will be finding the mean and range of a set of data; constructing and interpreting line graphs and pie charts. Place value up to 10 million.

Revise the written method for subtraction. Order and compare decimal numbers to 3 decimal places. Associate a fraction with division and calculate decimal fraction equivalents. Revise multiplying simple pairs of proper fractions, writing the answer in its simplest form.

Multiply numbers with 2 decimal places by 1-digit numbers. Revise the written methods for multiplication to multiply money and to multiply 3- and 4-digit numbers by numbers between 10 and 30.

Division - Revise the written method for division. Mainly focussing on dividing a four-digit number by a two-digit number  
Ratio and scaling. Revise measurement and solve problems involving different units of measurement. Revision of percentages.

### Suggested activities to help your child in maths this term:

BBC Bitesize

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years>

<http://learn-timestables.com>

<http://www.teachingtables.co.uk/>

Click on link below to open adobe reader with different revision tools for maths



KS2-Ultimate-3-in-1-Organiser-2017-Mat

## Other curriculum areas this half term:

Later this term, the children will be learning about Brazil. This is a geography topic but will be linked to many other areas of learning. The children will be learning about the location of Brazil, time zones and climate. They will be examining the different terrain in Brazil and how people's lives are different because of where they live.

In Science this term the children will be learning about Animals including Humans, focussing on the circulatory system.

In PSHE, the children will be learning about Health and Wellbeing. As well as during our PSHE lessons, the children will learn about this in our Science lessons.

In Music, the children will be learning songs based on the play Macbeth. They will be using ICT to record and manipulate sound.

In P.E the children will be completing a Macbeth dance unit and will be learning cricket with Coach Parry.

In R.E the children will be answering the question - Who is the Holy Spirit?

In Art this half term, the children will be using different skills to create a piece of Macbeth art, before moving on to design their own carnival mask and Mayan masks.

In computing term, the children will be able to decompose a game, build their own version of the game and find solutions independently to each programming challenge. We will be creating an animation about Macbeth and will then move on to learning about Google Earth, The children will be using Google Earth to create their own virtual tour of the local area and then of Brazil.

## General Messages:

### Reading is still important!

Year 6 children should be reading every night at home.

### Spellings

The children will continue to learn and revise words from the KS2 words lists. These words are set by the Government and all children are expected to be able to spell them when they leave primary school. Please test your child on these and encourage your child to practise these alongside their weekly spellings.

## Important Dates:

Year 6 trip to WWF in Woking Tuesday 27th March

## \*\* THANK YOU \*\*

Dear Parents,

We would like to say, 'Thank you,' for all your generous gifts at Christmas. It was very kind of you and we appreciate your generosity.

From the teaching staff in Year 6