



Year 6

SANTIAGO'S



Useful Information

Spring 1

Topic:

(Please see knowledge organiser for further information)



This half term, we have a history and geography focus. We will be learning about World War One. Children will:

- investigate the key elements that led to the start of WW1 and create a timeline of key events
- investigate what life was like on the Western Front and the explore the advancement of warfare
- explore the involvement of animals in World War 1
- use an atlas and the internet to identify and compare the capital cities of the countries at war

English:



Children will develop their comprehension skills through daily guided reading sessions when they will be answering retrieval, inference and word meaning questions linked to our Power of Reading book. The grammar concepts covered this half term include: parenthesis, relative clauses, conjunctions and modal verbs. Pupils will also use dashes and colons in their writing

Maths:



We will be covering the following topics this half term:

- place value (recap from Autumn term)
- four operations (recap from Autumn term)
- short and long division, with remainders
- multiplying and dividing fractions
- fractions, decimals and percentage equivalents
- fraction of number and shape
- Percentage of number

Every Thursday, children will have an arithmetic focus for maths.

Science:

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This half term, we will have a biology focus and will be studying the human body. Children will explore the circulatory system and describe the function of the heart and blood vessels. They will be working scientifically to investigate the effect that exercise has on their pulse and observing their heart rate over time.

Computing:



Digital Literacy: *Internet Safety*

- Pupils will recognise acceptable and unacceptable online behaviour.
- Pupils will be using Be Internet Awesome and exploring 'Kind Kingdom'.

Computer Science: *Computer science including robots*

- Pupils will use blocks to build a program.

Art/DT: We will carry out an artist study on Sandra Silberweig.

Music: We will recap music notation and have a singing focus - "Meet the Blues" and Bacharach Anorak.

RSHE: Living in the wider world: Shared responsibilities and our community.

RE: We will be learning about the idea of devotion and what it means for Hindus.

French: We will be learning to recall Food and colours in French.

PE:



PE is on Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning (when children are not in the Art Studio). Children should bring their PE kits into school to get changed.

This half term, Santiago will be doing hockey and football.

Spellings:



Our spelling focuses this half term are:

- -tious or -cious
- silent letters
- words containing -ie- or -ei-
- homophones
- words from the year 5 and 6 word list

Children should learn their spellings each week using:
Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check

Children will have a spelling test on Thursday.
Spellings for the Spring term are posted on Google Classroom. There is no weekly spelling test during SATs Test Week and Science Week.

Home Learning:



Reading:

Children should read for 15 minutes every night.

English:

Children will either have a reading comprehension to complete or a worksheet with a grammar focus.

Maths:

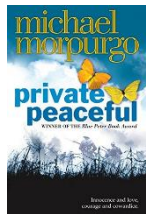
Children will have a worksheet with either a number or SSM focus.

Home learning is handed out on Monday and is due on Thursday. Details of home learning is also on Google Classroom. There is no home learning during SATs Test Week and Science Week

Power of Reading:



Our Power of Reading book this half term is Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo. Children will have the opportunity to explore complex relationships in a novel and investigate narrative features of a historical novel.



Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Persian. In our classroom, we display Farsi as it is an official language. However, many of the Persian speaking families in our school speak Pashto and Dari. Our Persian community represents 6% of our families.

Poem of the Half Term:

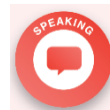


Our poem this half term is: In Flanders Fields by John McCrae

Skills Builder:



This half term, we will be focusing on: **SPEAKING** and **PROBLEM SOLVING**.



Key Dates:

- 5th January 2022 - Start of Spring 1
- 28th January 2022 - WASTED performance
- 28th January 2022 - January Birthday Bash
- 11th February 2022 - End of Spring 1
- 14th - 18th February 2022 - HALF TERM
- 21st February 2022 - Start of Spring 2



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