



Year 6



# SANTIAGO'S

## Useful Information

Autumn 2

### Geography



This term our humanities focus is geography. We will be finding answers to the question 'Why does population change?' Children will:

- Identify what migration is and consider push and pull factors.
- Look at population trends over time and consider reasons for these changes.

### English:



We will be learning about Henry VIII and the Tudor period while we finish our non-chronological report and complete a piece of independent writing for SATs assessment. We will then move on to look at the expedition of Ernest Shackleton and use that experience to write informal letters based on the real-life expedition members. We will focus on using informal tone and remaining in character.

### Maths:



We will be covering the following topics this half term:

- Short division
- Long division
- All of fractions
- Consolidating all of our operations knowledge
- Percentages
- There will be an 8.00am maths club once a week on Thursdays for pupils to practise arithmetic skills. We would like all pupils to attend.

### Science:



This half term, we will be studying Light. We will be looking at and classifying sources of light and examining the concept of luminosity. We will carry out experiments to identify transparent, translucent and opaque objects. We will also examine the concepts of refraction and reflection and study scientists who have made breakthroughs in the field of Light.

### Computing:



#### Computing systems and networks

- Pupils will discover the history of Bletchley Park and learn about code breaking and password hacking.
- They will demonstrate digital literacy skills by creating presentations.

**Art/DT:** We will be focusing on creating waistcoats using textiles.

**Music:** We will be looking at a catch-up unit involving the history of the Blues.

**RHE:** We will be focusing on the importance of respect.

**RE:** We will be studying the Buddhist concept of suffering (Dukkha)

## PE:



PE is on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday afternoon. Children should come to school wearing their PE kits. The Wednesday afternoon PE session is outdoors with the Chelsea coach.

## Spellings:



Our spelling focuses this half term are:

- Words ending in -able
- Words ending in -ably
- Word families based on common meanings

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

Children will have a spelling test on Tuesday.

There is no weekly spelling test during SATs Test 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.

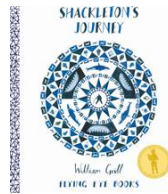
Home learning is handed out on Tuesday and is due on the following Tuesday. There is no home learning during SATs Test Week. Just revise.

## Core Reading Text:



Our Core Reading text this half term is:

Shackleton's Journey by William Grill



## Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Somali  
16% of our families speak Somali.

## Poem of the Half Term:



Our poem this half term is Paper Boats by Rabindranath Tagore

## Skills Builder:

This half term, we will be focusing on: **Staying Positive** and **Team Work**.



## Key Dates:

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024 - Return to school
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November - Year 4 Class trip
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Parents Meetings
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Children in Need
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November - School uniform recycling
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Santiago Class Assembly
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Birthday Bash
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December - School Disco November - Children in Need
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - Birthday bash
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December - End of term. School closes at 1.30pm



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