

Homework

Spellings- These will be handed out every **Monday and test on Friday**. Spellings can be found on the school website.

Reading- Reading books sent from school or a child's choice of book from home should be read. This can be done independently or with an adult and must be recorded in Home School Contact books.

Reading Plus- Five reading lessons and one vocabulary lesson are assigned per week. This is to be completed both at school and at home. Children who DO NOT finish **by Friday** will complete during Shine Time. (Children are given sufficient time in school every day to meet this weekly target. Only if they aren't meeting the target number of assigned lessons in school, they should be catching up at home).

My Maths- One piece of homework is set on Monday and is to be **completed by Friday**. Children who DO NOT finish by Friday will complete during Shine Time.

Home School Contact Books

Please ensure that contact books are brought to school **every Monday** for spellings to be entered and **every Wednesday** for reading records to be checked.

PE Days

PE days are Mondays and Fridays. **Children must come to school in their full PE kits on these days**. Please ensure that your child is wearing the school PE kit which includes: Drive PE top (in your child's team colour), blue or black shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings (not branded) and appropriate trainers or plimsolls.

Autumn Term 2024



Year 6

Mrs Graham

Information for Children, Parents and Carers

During this term we will be learning about:

English

Our class text is *Room 13* by Robert Swindells, which tells the tale of a group of friends on a school trip to a creepy guest house in Whitby. They attempt to unravel the mystery of the thirteenth room and determine the identity of its sinister inhabitant. We will be completing focused reading activities as well as looking at language and character's behavior. We will complete a piece of spooky and suspenseful narrative writing to get us in the mood for Halloween.

Maths

In the first two weeks, focus will be placed on the four operations (+ - x ÷). Children will then be building upon their place value knowledge and practising their addition and subtraction problem solving skills. During arithmetic sessions, children will be asked to think about how efficiently they can answer questions and whether a written method is always needed.

Science

We will be looking at how living things are classified. We will draw detailed diagrams, complete quadrant sampling, identify, classify and group different species and construct spider keys. We will also consider the question: What condition is best for mould to grow?

History

In History, children will be studying Black and British History. They will discover who the first Black people were to live in Britain, the roles they had in Tudor Society, the effects of the slave trade, what life was like for those who arrived here on Windrush and consider how the lives of Black people have changed over the past 60 years.

Geography

Children will be looking at maps of the local area, the UK and the world. They will be researching what different symbols mean on a map and then learning how a compass and a grid point reference is useful. They will then apply their knowledge by planning a route on a map to follow.

Religious Education

Children will be looking at the Christian concept of Jesus as The Light of the World. We will look at different Christian celebrations and learn about some prophets. We will then compare religions by looking at the different Hindi

festivals that are celebrated, focusing on Diwali. They will engage with many stories such as Rama and Sita.

Music

Children will look at different styles of music and compare how the music makes them feel. They will practise their singing and learn how to play some music on the glockenspiels. They will then improvise and compose their own music.

Physical Education

This term children will be playing Hockey. They will focus on passing, dribbling, interception and tackling skills whilst applying strategies taught during game play. They will also be completing Commando Jo missions weekly which requires them to use a range of skills to be successful.

PSHE/ RSE/ SMSC/ Wellbeing

Children will participate in Wellbeing Wednesday weekly which will teach them mindfulness skills. This term in PSHE/RSE we will look at healthy relationships, and how to communicate when things aren't right.

Art

This term children will be focusing on collage and drawing. They will look at the work of Kurt Schwitters who used rubbish in his creations. We will then practice our drawing skills and use the works of Frida Kahlo as our muse to create our own portraits

D&T

This term the children will be focusing on food technology. They will design and make a meal that could be served at the Diwali festival whilst continually evaluating their plans and process.