

Summer Term 1 2024



Year Six Newsletter Summer Term 1

SUMMER TERM 1

TOPIC: HISTORY OF MEDICINE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday! This term, we will be starting a new history topic, called 'History of Medicine'.

Reading

Please remember that Year 6 children need to be reading for approximately half an hour every evening. Even if your child is a fluent reader and usually reads alone, please make time every now and then to listen to them read aloud and to ask them questions about their reading. Please also ensure that you sign your child's reading diary every day so that they can receive rewards

Homework

Please continue to complete the assigned pages in your Maths, Reading and Spelling Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) 'Rising Stars' workbooks. This homework is compulsory and is due in every Wednesday.

Trips

For our History topic, we have booked, 'The Old Operating Theatre' which will be on June 3rd (the first day back after the half term). Please see the trip letter, that was emailed out, for more details. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are available to help on this trip.

School Journey

School Journey – to Mersea in Essex – will be taking place **from Monday 17th – Wednesday 19th June,**

This trip is a brilliant learning experience for children and will help grow their confidence and independence ready for their move to secondary school. They will also have a lot of fun – enjoying activities including orienteering, low ropes, archery, off-road biking and an 'It's a Knockout' experience.

Please look out for letters relating to final payments, as well the date we will be holding an online Q&A session for parents about what to expect and prepare for. Details such as kit lists and itineraries will be sent out closer to the time.

Their website can be reached at the following link:

<https://www.essexoutdoors.com/our-centres/mersea/>

Topic History of Medicine.
We will be learning about medicine through time and how it has changed.

English

Our writing this term will be based on a book called the Sleeper and the Spindle (narrative) and also covering persuasive and discussion text features relating to our History of Medicine topic (non-fiction)

Maths

Statistic, area and perimeter and shape

Science

Humans (circulation)

RE

Similarities and Differences

PSHE

Money and Me

Computing

3D Modelling - Tinkercad

Languages

Spanish

SATs

This year, Year 6's SATs tests will be taking place on the following dates in school:

Date	Activity
Monday 13 May 2024	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 14 May 2024	English reading
Wednesday 15 May 2024	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 16 May 2024	Mathematics paper 3

During the week itself (from Monday to Thursday), all Year 6 children are invited to come to breakfast club free of charge. This helps make sure that children are at school on time and have had a good breakfast, as well as giving them the chance to relax with friends before the tests start. If the children are interested in doing this, they would need to arrive at the school office by 8.30am at the latest.

If children are not coming to breakfast club, it is important that they are here in good time (usual school hours). Any lateness and rushing may cause anxiety for the child.

If your child has a minor illness, we would encourage them, where possible, to come in and complete the test and they can then go home when the test is complete. If a child misses their test on the set day, it can be very difficult for them to complete it. We can arrange for them to be made as comfortable as possible. If this is the case, then let us know. Obviously if it is a more serious situation, then this would not apply. Please contact the school if you are unsure.

Uniform

Please make sure your child is dressed in complete school uniform every day. This is as follows: plain navy bottoms (plain black or grey is also acceptable) with a white polo shirt or shirt and plain red jumper or cardigan.

P.E. kit is also plain navy bottoms (or plain black or grey if necessary) with a white polo shirt or a house t-shirt (not another t-shirt in the house colours). School jumpers should also be worn with P.E. kit, not a hoody, tracksuit top etc. Children should not be wearing patterned leggings, tracksuit bottoms or tops. If they do, a message will be sent home to remind them about correct kit.

Children need to wear sensible footwear to school, including trainers for P.E. These do not need to be branded; local secondary schools have banned branded clothing and footwear so it is a good idea to get used to this now!

Children are welcome to bring a spare t-shirt to change into after P.E. This may be required now that the weather is getting warmer and our lessons tend to be very energetic!

Children also should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school – please could you remind them of this.

Many thanks for your continued support. The Year 6 Team

9:10–9:45 Reading /Spelling
9:45–10:45 English
11:10–12:15 Maths
12:15–12:30 Assembly
1:30–2:30 & 2:30–3:30 Topic/Science/Spanish/ Computing/ P.E./PSHE/R.E/Music

PE Days for this half term:

6LM - Monday & Wednesday 6AC - Tuesday & Wednesday 6SB - Monday & Tuesday

Every Wednesday - Reading, Maths and Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar (SPaG) homework due
Every Thursday – Violins – please ensure violins are in school this day

13th-16th May – SATs tests for all of Year 6
Wednesday 22nd May – Optional Topic homework due.
Monday 6th June – Old Operating Theatre trip

Don't forget to check the school website and weekly whole school newsletter for updates!