

Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn 1

Welcome back!

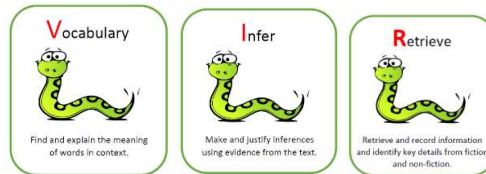
We hope you have had a good break and you are ready for your final year at primary school. This term we have many very interesting topics to learn about.

Spelling and Reading



We have spelling lessons each Tuesday and Thursday. Children will be given new spellings each week to be practised at home.

We love to read in Shakespeare! This year we will continue to use Reading Vipers to help us with our guided reading. These can be used at home when reading too. In our guided reading lessons this term we will be focusing on the vocabulary, infer and retrieve vipers.



Writing



We will link our history work to our English writing this term. We will write a non-chronological report on the day of the dead celebrations in Mexico. Furthermore, we will be writing a persuasive letter encouraging people to visit Mexico.

Maths



In maths this term we will build on our knowledge of numbers up to 10 million, as well as the four operations: addition and subtraction, multiplication and division.

Science



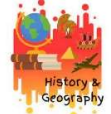
Our science topic is 'Light up your world'. In this topic students will learn to:

- recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye
- explain that we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes
- use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

Computing

In computing our learners will develop their understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited, and how they can then be resaved and reused. They will consider the impact that editing images can have and evaluate the effectiveness of their choices.

Geography/History



Children will learn about the remarkable achievements of the ancient Maya. Through these activities pupils will learn about the Maya perspective of time, the calendar system, writing, maths and the environment.

MFL

During this half term the children will revisit personal information question and answers and extended feelings. They will recall how to give opinions of school subjects including reasons and recall numbers to 60. Children will be introduced to the 'o'clock' structure in French, and key daily routine phrases in order to be able to write a sequence of daily routine phrases and ask and answer questions about daily routine.

Music

Each week in music we listen to and appraise a different song. This term we will be learning to perform 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams. We will also be learning to read music and play the glockenspiel to accompany our final performance.



PE

The focus for PE this term is swimming. Each Thursday we will visit the Corby International Pool. Pupils will continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, learning how to use them in different ways and to link them to make actions and sequences of movement.



Homework Project



Weekly homework will be set each Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. If children are unsure about any part of their homework they should ask an adult on either Friday or Monday so we can help them.

Remember too to hand in your holiday homework project. We are looking forward to creating a fabulous display in the classroom with these.



Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



Times Tables Rockstars



Spelling Shed



Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



Class information

Class Teacher: Mr Egan

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Eden, Mrs Blackwood and Miss Russell

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and when the weather is warmer a sun hat and sun cream.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!

Monday 5th September – Autumn Term starts

Tuesday 13th September 9am – Year 6 parents welcome meeting

Wednesday 12th October – Individual school photographs

Wednesday 12th/Thursday 13th October – Parents' evenings

Friday 21st October – school closes for Half Term

Monday 31st October – School application deadline

