

## Year 6 Newsletter – Spring 2

### Welcome

Our main topic for the term is the Victorians. As with last term, our homework will be handed out on a Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. As a reminder, children can change their reading book on any day. Reading records will be collected and Dojo points will be given out for the number of times children have read to an adult.

### Spelling and Reading

This term we will continue to test spelling on a Friday and new spellings will be sent home on this day. In reading we are continuing to work on our inference and explanation skills as well as retrieval. As a reminder, children are expected to log on to Spelling Shed to practise their weekly spellings and books, which match children's reading levels, are on Ebooks. Dojo points are given for children using both these platforms weekly.

### Writing

In English this term we will be writing a narrative and a film review based on the short film Alma. On top of this, we will be writing a balanced argument



### Maths

In maths we will be learning about decimals as well as introducing algebra, statistics and geometry.



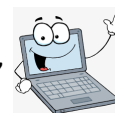
### Science

This is a challenging module in which children build on their knowledge of living things and how they are adapted to environments. They are introduced to the idea that variation in organisms can result in the species becoming better adapted to its environment and that the process of natural selection, over a long period of time, leads to evolution.



### Computing

In computing we will be learning about coding. We will learn how to create effective codes, use if/if else functions, repeat functions and number variables.



### Art & Design

Our art topic this term is drawing: I need space. In this unit we will select and place fabric to create a calligraph plate. We will continue to develop the use of our sketchbooks. Finally, we will create a background print to draw our final sketches over the top of.



### History

This unit builds on the study of monarchy in Year 5 where children look at the shifting power of monarchs and the government. Queen Victoria is introduced as a significant monarch in Year 5 and here children will further study her decision making and popularity as a result in contrast to her predecessors. Later children learn that she also reigned at a time of great technological advances which are still in use today.



### Music

In music we will be learning Music of Carole King and her life as a composer. We will learn to perform The You've got a friend.



### PE

This term we will be units are athletics and dance.

### PSHE

Our topic this term is healthy me.



### RE

Our RE topic this term is about Christianity and its 2000-year history.



### Homework Project



Please see the separate homework information sheet sent home.



### 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 and Mrs Milan

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 as 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!**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** – World Book Day – Choose your own theme. Dressing up as your favourite book character!

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March** – Singing club children at The Big Sing at the Derngate, Northampton

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March** – Sublime Science Workshops

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**- Parents Evening; 3.30-6pm

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**- Parents Evening; 3.30-5pm

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Red Nose Day

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March** - Global Recycling Day

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March** – World Poetry Day

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March** – Class photos

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** – School closes for Easter