April-June 2023

We hope you had an enjoyable Easter holiday and the children are now ready to work hard in our next term.

We hope that this newsletter will give you a flavour of the learning taking place this term.

Numeracy & Maths

This term, our focus for Numeracy will be to consolidate and reinforce a range of number skills taught over the course of Primary 6. We will be looking to identify connections in our learning and make links to real life contexts.

In Maths, we will be continuing our work on 2D Shapes and 3D objects as well as a focus on Data Handling, which will link to aspects of Numeracy — "probability and chance" as well as our Space Topic. The children will have opportunities to collect, interpret and display data, creating their own bar, line and pie charts. Also in Maths, the children will cover Position and Movement and make links to the previous term's work on angles.

Interdisciplinary Learning

The topic this term is Space. The children will have opportunities to develop their understanding of our solar system and the characteristics of the substances that make up Earth's surface. The children will investigate different aspects of Space related research from around the world and new developments in Space technology. The children will also research key figures and events in Space technology and use this to create presentations showing their learning.

Literacy & English

This term, we will continue to issue new spelling words every two weeks, alternating between "Common Words" and "Spelling Rules." Each week there will be daily literacy lessons which will focus on developing comprehension, grammar, punctuation, listening and talking skills

In reading, we will focus on identifying fact and opinion and developing reading for enjoyment.

In writing, we will focus on instructional texts with links to our topic of Space. Through this we will learn about using appropriate structure and vocabulary. We will also continue to participate in our monthly "Free Writing Friday." We will also continue with researching, skimming and scanning skills and note taking, leading to creating Non-Chronological reports about our topic. This term there will be a focus on citing sources and including a bibliography. The children will go on to editing and improving their work through the use of ICT.

Health & Wellbeing

In Health we will be continuing to use our Jigsaw program to discuss "Changing Me." In "Changing Me" we will be learning about puberty and the changes to our bodies. We will also be learning about conception through intercourse and their growing responsibilities as they grow into teenagers.

Physical Education: We will be focusing on athletics including track and field activities. This will include sprinting techniques, javelin throwing, long jump and non-contact relay racing. We will also be celebrating Fitness Fortnight with a range of activities.

Additional Information

We are looking forward to preparing and presenting the Primary 6 assembly to you, which we have already started work on and looking forward to our class excursion to consolidate our topic work on Space. The children will also complete different art linked to the topic of Space and will have an opportunity to present their favourite piece of learning from P6 through a technology project (diorama)

If you have any comments, concerns or questions please feel free to contact us through our school blog, school office or email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

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