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# Year 6 Spring 2 Newsletter



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## English

We are focussing on two main genres this half term: descriptive writing and writing newspaper articles.

Our descriptive writing will include looking at language to keep the reader interested, creating images with words, and paying attention to detail.

Our newspaper articles will investigate how the features of a newspaper article keep a reader informed and entertained, as well as using a formal tone.

In addition to this, we will be practising spellings and handwriting to ensure our work is presented well. Children will also be set individual writing targets that they will be continuing to work on throughout the term.

## Maths

We will start this half term looking at calculating with fractions, decimals and percentages.

We will be then focusing on solving reasoning problems, particularly those similar to the questions children will experience in the Key Stage 2 tests in May. Children will be encouraged to read questions carefully and break them down into a number of stages.

Children will continue doing 30 minutes of daily arithmetic which includes practice of all written methods for the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division), fractions, and percentages of a number.

## Topic

This half term children will study a science-based biology unit on Evolution and Adaptation. Children will identify how living things can be classified into broad groups; recognise that living things change over time and that fossils provide information on living things in the past. Children will also identify how animals and plants have adapted to suit their environment and that this may lead to evolution.

In art, children will be studying the artist Maria Sibylla Merien who was known for her illustrations of insects and plants.

## PE

Children will participate in indoor dance for PE this half term. They will learn to use different levels and pathways when performing a dance. Children will also learn to dance in unison and perform in a canon with a group showing good energy, timing, and strength.

Year 6 will also take part in a daily active learning session for 15 minutes. Children must attend in the correct PE kit, which is a white t-shirt, navy blue/grey/black tracksuit bottoms or shorts and black trainers.

## Reminders

- ✓ All children are expected to read for 10 minutes each night and have their planner signed.
- ✓ Homework is given out on a Wednesday and should be handed in on the following Monday.
- ✓ If your child would like water during lessons, they should bring a filled plastic bottle from home, every day.
- ✓ Please ensure your child brings a bag every day to put letters and reading books in.  
Bottles and bags are available to buy from the office, or you can provide one of your own.
- ✓ When it is your child's birthday they are allowed to come in non-uniform.
- ✓ Please remember we are a nut-free school.