

Come and See

Our new topics for this term are: Sources, Unity and Death and New Life.

Sources: The children will understand that the experience of community is an essential and enjoyable part of life for people of every age and faith. We will be asking the children to think about which celebrations of community life they enjoyed and which are they looking forward to.

Unity: The children will explore being thoughtful for life, for people and gifts. They will gain an understanding that this is a vital part of our relationships with one another.

Death and New Life: The children will understand that life is full of opportunities for self-giving.

English

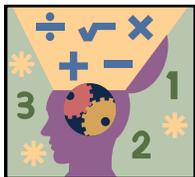
The children will complete a book study of Michael Morpurgo's book, 'A Medal for Leroy' which will enhance their knowledge of war and the impact on others. We are also taking part in the whole school author study where we will be analysing the work of Australian author Shaun Tan. Grammar will be a major focus in our lessons and homework. The spelling investigations will continue. The children are required to learn the spelling rule of the week and they will be tested on a Friday as usual, with some words from our spelling book and some unseen words where the children have to apply the rule.

Mathematics

The children will be consolidating their knowledge of all aspects of the Mathematics curriculum: number (including fractions, percentages, decimals, ratio and proportion), algebra, geometry, measurement and statistics. The children will also be developing their problem solving and reasoning skills. We ask that the children know all of the times tables (up to and including 12×12).

Science

Living things and their habitats - Children will be learning how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals.



Computing:

Children will continue to develop their programming skills using Scratch to design games. Children will have the opportunity to create a 3D art gallery using the modelling software, Google SketchUp. Both programs are available free for home use if children would like to continue their learning and practice.

History

We will be concluding our study about WWI by looking at the impact of the war on Liverpool. We will study Noel Chavasse; the only soldier to be awarded the Victoria Cross (VC) twice during World War I. He is one of only three men to win the medal.

Geography

The children will be studying OS maps and their symbols. They will learn how to reference a place by using 4 figure and 6 figure grid references. We will consolidate their knowledge on the 8 point compass and participate in an orienteering exercise.

French

Children will continue to be taught by our French specialist Madame Edward. The children will continue work on the French alphabet and French phonic system. We are hoping to organise a visit to the Tate to see the Matisse exhibition to coincide with cross curricular work on Art and Colours.

PE

The children will consolidate striking and fielding skills; work as a team to improve performance, setting rules. In gym, the children will combine and perform gymnastic actions and balances fluently and effectively. The children will vary direction, levels and pathways. They will link actions and balances together and show good timing when working together. They will learn that changing the speed, direction and level of a sequence, effects the way it looks.

Music:

The children will be using Charanga and will be able to: identify long and short sounds; listen to music and identifying the different notes; compose musical pieces containing long and short notes to evoke meaning and/or emotion.

Important dates to note:

Thursday 26th January - meeting in school about SATs, Winmarleigh and online safety;

Friday 27th January - Wear a hat to school day in aid of The Little Princess Trust and Hair 4 Boys charity;

Saturday 28th January - Peace Proms Choir (information to follow);

Friday 10th February - Annual Welly Walk in aid of The Little Princess Trust and Hair 4 Boys charity;

Friday 10th February - Finish for half term;

Monday 20th February - Return to school;

Tuesday and Wednesday 21st and 22nd February - Parent teacher meetings;

Wednesday 15th March - trip to the Philharmonic;

Wednesday 29 to Friday 31st March - Winmarleigh residential

How you help your child make progress in Year 6

Encourage your child to develop a reading habit and read regularly. Ask 'why you think' questions.
Check your child's homework.

If your child enjoys computers, encourage them to use educational websites: Manga High, BBC Bitesize, and Nrich, these are all good sites. You can access these pages through the links on the Children > Favourite Websites page on the school website.

Personal organisation- in preparation for high school, encourage your child to bring in their homework on time and have all the equipment they need daily.

Please keep hold of the children's **winter uniform** as they are required to wear it for the end of year Mass and for the Y6 photograph

Thank you for your continued support throughout the school year. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask your child's class teacher.

Year 6 Spring curriculum brochure

Working together to
achieve...

No one can have it
altogether but all
together, we can
have it all.