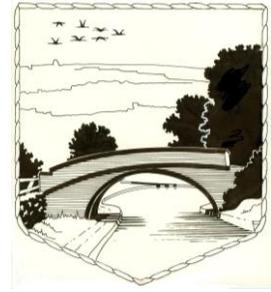




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## **RE: Year 6 Curriculum Areas for Summer 2019**

I hope you had a good Easter break and, like me, are welcoming the longer days and all the excitement of the children's last term at the school. As a school, we always aim to ensure that children are ready to make their next steps in their journey and whilst a big part of that is ensuring they have the core skills in place and achieve their best in SATs, there is an emphasis this term on a breadth of experiences: from residential trips and plays to transition days and project work. This also plays out in homework; as promised English and maths homework eases off but there will be some tasks linked to topic and science in particular.

### **English**

The class have been consolidating their grammar knowledge (with the help of MC Grammar!), and we will now be particularly ensuring that all these skills are put to use in written work. We will take inspiration from our class book 'The Adventures of Odysseus' which also gives us a great way of exploring this term's topic of the Ancient Greeks. In narrative, we will ensure we can use dialogue to drive the story and show characterisation; in non-fiction, we will work on developing the cohesion of our writing and ensuring we choose the appropriate register and style. The 'bank' of writing produced from across the curriculum, is what is used to provide children with a writing assessment mark (working towards, meeting or working at greater depth against the Y6 standards) in the same way as the SATs tests do for reading, grammar and maths. We will have opportunity to show our independence through applying reading, writing and oral language in the context of group projects. Moreover, the year 5/6 play will give us a chance to build on some of the excellent drama skills I already saw during our sessions on Macbeth last term.

### **Maths**

The children will be following the Year 6 maths calculation document (see online) at a level appropriate to the individual child. We will continue to develop the children's skills in all areas of maths by completing units on: Calculations, Data handling, Shape and Space, Ratio and Percentages, Fractions and Problem solving incorporating all areas.

We have been using 'GHammond Maths' to brush up on any topics the children are still striving to become secure with. Although these are on our website, I can provide all the resources via a USB key if needed so children can continue reinforcing their learning at home. The children are now aware of how to use the resource and all the associated links.

In the second half of the term, in preparation for secondary school, we will be completing a selection of investigation projects that the children will continue working on in September.

Subject	Information	How you can help
Science	Thank you to those families who kindly supplied some photos of family members - this helped us begin our exploration of inherited and acquired characteristics. Once we have completed work on evolution, we will move on to looking at the human circulatory system and the impact of diet, exercise and lifestyle on this.	Discussing learning at home.  There may be occasional home-learning tasks.
Topic	Our topic this term is Ancient Greece and we will look at various aspects of Greek life and culture as well as events from this period of history. We will particularly discuss how this period in history has influenced many aspects of modern day life, from democracy , language to the Olympics.	There will be no 'big' project this term but there will be some homework tasks to complete which will feed into our lessons. Where possible, there will be freedom to pursue some areas of special interest within this topic or to present work in different ways.
Computing	We will have the opportunity to apply computing skills to project work, in particular using excel to handle and present data as part of 'theme park maths'.	If you have a computer at home, your child would benefit from using it to continue work from class (most of the software we use is a free download), as well as developing their typing skills ( <i>Dancemat typing on the BBC website is very good for this</i> ).
PE	Children will receive expert tuition from Coventry Tag Rugby on a Friday afternoon and Mr Shillitoe on Tuesday (athletics and tennis). We will also sample different outdoor activities at the Pioneer Centre.	Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school for our timetabled sessions; including any relevant clubs your child may be interested in. Please could long hair be tied up and jewellery removed for these sessions. Finally, I'd appreciate news on any sporting achievements (however small) from your child!
RE	This term's units are entitled 'What do religions say to us when life gets hard?' (Life after death focus on Christianity and Hinduism) and 'People of God' (looking at the 8 significant events in the life of Moses).	Reflecting and discussing with children about what they have learned in school and how it relates to their own lives. Some topics may raise particular thoughts or feelings for children. Homework goes out (and back in) each Tuesday lesson, and can be emailed directly to Mrs. Butcher.
Art/DT	We will take inspiration from our topic including artwork linked to Greek mythology and will also produce some props and artwork for our play.	Please ensure that your child has an old shirt/t-shirt left in school to protect their uniforms.

<b>Music</b>	We will focus on singing and performance, especially through the Y5/6 play. The Musical Concert Night is at 6pm on the 1 <sup>st</sup> July (open to all who play instruments.)	As the big performance approaches, we hope children will be practising songs at home.
<b>MFL</b>	Mrs Coombe will be back with us to work on French.	Ask children to teach you what they have learnt!
<b>PSHE</b>	Children will be covering elements within our Sex & Relationships Education (SRE) policy, looking at SRE, healthy lifestyles and reflecting on achievements through the year.	Discuss with your child how these topics may impact their own and family's life.

As always, do come and speak to me with any questions or concerns or just to say 'hello!' May I thank you all for the continued support which has meant so much to your child's success at this school. What a fantastic class!

Yours sincerely

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(Year 6 Teacher)