

English:

This term we will be learning to research and write a non-chronological report about endangered orang-utans. We will also be reading the classic Shakespeare tragedy 'Macbeth' and will be exploring a range of feelings and emotions before writing an informal letter and poem. For Black History Month, children will be writing a biography about Harriet Tubman's inspirational life and struggles. Additionally, the children will have a weekly SPAG lesson (spelling, punctuation and grammar) to help improve their writing.

Maths:

This term we will be applying all the 4 calculations to number problems and focusing on place value, rounding numbers and negative numbers. We will be developing the strategies used in Arithmetic and applying them to real life situations. We will also be focusing on shape, fractions, decimals and percentages. Children will have lots of opportunities to apply their Maths to real challenges.

PE:

Outside PE lessons will be focusing on nets and tennis. Our indoor sessions will be continuing with focusing on paired mirror work, counter balance and tension in gymnastics.

PE Days:

6B - Wednesday and Friday

6C - Tuesday and Thursday

6M - Tuesday and Wednesday

Science:

Our topic for this half term is Evolution and Inheritance. We will be focusing on the skill of drawing conclusions and evaluating. We will also be developing the skills of comparing and refuting ideas using scientific evidence. The significant figures we will be focusing on are Mary Anning and Charles Darwin.

Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome to Year 6 and your child's last year at Highfield Primary! There are lots happening this Autumn term and we are really looking forward to welcoming your children back from their summer break. From Week 4, the children will be taught in sets for Maths and English. The Year 6 team are Miss Brown, Miss Modeste, Ms Christouforou, Mrs Giarnese and Ms Greenhill. Ms Phillips is Year 6's phase leader and Ms Shaughnessy is the KS2 deputy head teacher. Don't hesitate to contact one of us if there is anything you need to discuss.

Year 6 Curriculum **News** **Topic: Circle of Life**

History/Geography:

Our topic this term is "Rivers". The children will explore the features of the New River and will compare this to the River Thames. They will also learn to use all eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key (including the use of Ordnance Survey maps) to build their knowledge of the United Kingdom and the wider world.

French: We will be learning how to say what sports we like to play and speak in sentences. We will also learn how to write the sports names in French.

Don't Forget:

PE kits must be in school at all times and must be named. **Homework** is given out on Friday to be returned the following Wednesday.

Spellings will be given out on Friday and children will to tested the following week.

Reading Journals are to be filled in weekly.

Water Bottles should be brought in daily and should be named.

Uniforms must be correct and clearly labelled with a permanent marker. All children must wear black shoes or trainers.

Bhaktivatanta Temple Trip:

Friday 11th October 2019

Religious Education:

The religion we will be studying this term is Hinduism. We will be focusing on the significant features found in the Mandir, the caste system and how Hindus' show respect. We will also compare Hinduism with other religious denominations.

Art, Design & Music:

This term we will be focusing on William Morris-British textile designer. Children will use a polyester over print to create different motifs, patterns, reflections and designs. Children will manipulate, merge and replicate patterns using E-resources.

ICT:

Children will be developing and designing a simple educational game using MIT app inventor. They will also explore the E-safety issues with data collection and the dangers of using popular apps.