

English:

We will begin this term with writing a non-chronological report on the impact of unsustainable palm oil. In addition to this, we will be exploring Shackleton's Journey and his life-changing expedition. In Autumn 2, the children will write their own conflict narrative based on 'The Island' by Armin Greder. Children will work on using dialogue to move action forward and develop a character's personality. Year 6 will also be studying Macbeth at the end of this term. Each lesson, there will be opportunities to improve children's SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) will skills.

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 many opportunities to revisit and review their learning from Year 5.

PE:

Outside PE lessons will be focusing on net/wall games and gymnastics. The children will be learning to develop game play within tennis or volleyball, and they will be learning about counterbalance and tension.

PE Days:**6A – Tuesday and Thursday****6C – Monday and Friday****6P – Thursday and Friday****Science:**

Our topic for this 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 w/c 11th Sept, the children will be taught in sets for Maths and English. The Year 6 team are Miss Altundal, Ms Christoforou, Miss Phillpotts and Ms Greenhill. Miss Brown is Year 6's phase leader and Mrs Morton is the KS2 deputy head teacher. Please email the office if you would like a meeting with a teacher.

Year 6 Curriculum News**Topic: Little People, Big Dreams****Value: Compassion****ICT:**

Children will be learning about data and how to record data on Excel. They will also be developing their coding skills this term. They will learn to use different kinds of loops, events, functions, and conditionals. The children will investigate different problem-solving techniques and discuss societal impacts of computing and the internet. They will also design and create a capstone

History/Geography:

We begin the term with our Geography unit on Polar Regions. The children will be learning about the polar climate and how to survive in these harsh conditions. In Autumn 2, our history topic is The Ancient Maya. We will be studying maps to explore who the Ancient Maya were and where they lived. Child will also learn about the Maya religious system, explore the Maya writing system and use primary evidence to further enhance their understanding of life in the Ancient Maya times.

Don't Forget:

PE kits must be worn to school on the days your child has PE.

Homework is given out on Friday and is due the following Wednesday. Maths Arithmetic Homework is given in the green Homework book.

Spellings will be given out on Friday. Please note that Homework and Spellings will be given out via Google Classroom.

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.

Religious Education:

We will be learning about Rosh Hashanah and the Jewish home. We will be asking questions such as "How do Jewish families celebrate their New Year?" We will also touch upon Hinduism and the significance of a Mandir.

Art, Design & Music:

This term we will be focusing on William Morris -British textile designer – and Hokusai. Children will study commercialisation and use a polyester over print to create different motifs, patterns, reflections and designs. Year 6 will also be conducting some market research to inform the design of a 3D key ring. In Music, children will focus on singing in Autumn 1 and playing the glockenspiels in Autumn 2.

French:

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