

Year Six Curriculum Information-Summer Term 2016

Welcome back to your child's final term at Middlefield! Below is an outline of what we will be covering in the curriculum during this term.

Literacy 	This term year 6 are starting with biographical writing. In this unit of writing the children will read, plan and write their own biographies. After this, year 6 will be reading about Shackleton and producing a range of types of writing relating to the story of his life. The children will also continue with the SPAG and Reading as part of their literacy lessons to aid them in their writing and in preparation for their upcoming SATs tests. At the end of the term, they will complete a transition writing project, which will go onto their secondary schools with them.
Numeracy 	This term the children will continue to have numeracy lessons once a day. Over the next few weeks the focus will be on revision of the main topics. As the term goes on, the children will be completing more independent investigations that will really help the children next year. This will include a transition project where the children have to decide which mathematical skills are best suited to solve different problems.
Science 	This term year six are continuing their topic on evolution and inheritance. They will be considering what we know about these, how we know these things and some of the key scientists who have been involved in discovering these things. Later on in the term, the children will be continuing some further investigations into electricity which they began earlier on in key stage 2. They will also be considering the life cycles of humans and how humans and other animals change over time.
History 	This term we are looking at the Greeks. We will look at the Greek way of life, its beliefs and cultures. We will also look at what made the Greeks great warriors and how the Ancient Greeks had an impact on our world, even to this day.
ICT 	This term the children will be doing some coding. They will be learning a whole host of skills which will enable them to create their own games for each other to play. These are skills that the children may have to use again and again throughout their lives within the changing world of computers.
Physical Education 	This term the children will be focusing on both athletics and cricket. At the start of this term the children will be utilising some of their measuring and timing skills as they set their own personal records across a range of events to seek to improve later in the term. In cricket we will be focusing on the skills of the game and working well as a team. Later in the term the children will also have dance lessons, which will help them to prepare for their summer performance and continue to develop their movement and teamwork skills.

PSHE 	We will look at sex education this term, including the human life cycle and future changes. A separate letter will be sent concerning this.
Art	Our art topic this term will link in with our topic on the Ancient Greeks. They will be looking at a range of Greek artists and comparing their styles. They will then be producing some work using Google SketchUp, which allows the children to create isometric drawings. They will then be doing some of their own isometric drawings by hand, using a range of different mediums.
Homework 	The children will continue with Maths Whizz at the start of this term. Different literacy homework will be sent home each week - some of this will be pieces of writing, while others will focus on punctuation and grammar skills. All year 6 children are expected to read for at least 15 minutes at home most days. This is extremely beneficial for their development as both readers and writers.