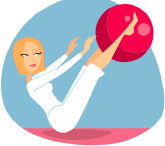


Year Six Curriculum Information-Spring Term 2016

Welcome back to Middlefield in 2016! Below is an outline of what we will be covering in the curriculum during this term.

Literacy 	This term the children will begin with a topic focussing on human and animal rights. The children will be looking at the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and using some inspirational books by UNICEF and Amnesty International to inspire their own poetic writing. The children will be looking at a wide range of poetic devices, and will explore using these themselves. After this, year 6 will be looking at persuasive writing where, amongst other things, the children will try to persuade Mrs Connell that they should be allowed to put their graffiti onto one of the walls in school. The children will also have guided reading each day where they will look at a range of texts to support their reading, writing and grammar.
Numeracy 	Throughout the year children will have numeracy lessons once a day. To complement these lessons we will also be conducting some mathematical investigations for the children to do both inside and outside of the classroom. There will also be regular arithmetic sessions where the children will be utilising their calculation skills before applying these to problems. Throughout the term there will be an increasing focus on applying the mathematical skills they have acquired over the last few years to real life situations.
Science 	This term in science we are going to begin by investigating light. The children will consider sources of light, how our eyes and brains help us to see things, how light reflects and refracts, and why we see things in different colours. This will involve a lot of practical investigations around the school. Experimental and investigative work focuses on: • making and testing predictions • planning a fair test • repeating observations and measurements and evaluating these • representing data in line graphs and interpreting what these show.
History 	This term the children are studying the history of St Neots, starting back in pre-Roman times all the way through to the current day. We will soon be visiting the museum as well as visiting other locations of historical significance around the town. Later on in the term they will be researching some of the most important events and people from St Neots, as well as considering the factors that caused the town to grow from a few buildings into the large town it is today.

MFL 	Year 6 will be continuing to develop their French speaking, listening and writing skills with Mrs Wallace each week. They will be focussing on developing their conversational language and relating this to French culture.
Physical Education 	This term children will be developing their skills in invasion games, learning skills associated with netball. Within invasion games the children will learn about the importance on being in a team and communicating with each other. The children will look into both attacking and defending as a team. They will also have gymnastics sessions once a week where they will develop their movement, fitness, timing and teamwork.
Religious Education & PSHE 	This term year six will be looking at different religions alongside our British Values. The children will continue to learn about religions and will be focussing on the importance of respect and tolerance for others' beliefs. Year 6 will also continue to learn about our democratic processes within government and law, and celebrating the freedoms we have in this country.
Homework 	In Maths the children will be using Maths Whizz which should all be very familiar to them. Children should aim to complete a minimum of 60 minutes a week in sessions of between 20-30 minutes. Literacy homework will be sent home each week and will be expected in on a Monday. This homework will relate to what the children have recently been doing at school. This term year six will also have some online punctuation and grammar homework, which is similar in style to their Maths Whizz. All year 6 children are expected to read for at least 15minutes at home most days. This is extremely beneficial for their development as both readers and writers.