



UKS2 Parent Newsletter



<p>KEY LEARNING THIS HALF TERM</p> <p>In geography, this half term we are learning about rainforests. The children will discover the different layers of the rainforest, where rainforests can be located around the world and deforestation.</p> <p>In Science, we will be studying living things and their habitats. In this topic, we will explore adaptation and different types of habitats.</p> <p>In DT, we will continue learning sewing techniques in order to create a t-shirt suitable for a mountain climber.</p>	<p>OUR READING TEXTS</p> <p>In guided reading this half term, Year 5 will be exploring a range of non-fiction texts. They will focus on answering different styles of retrieval questions and unpicking unfamiliar vocabulary.</p> <p>Year 6 children will spend time investigating a range of texts, focusing on fluency and test technique in order to support them in their upcoming SATs assessments.</p>	<p>WRITING</p> <p>In Writing, will be writing a narrative based on a short video entitled 'Alma'. This can be found on the Literacy Shed website if you would like to view this yourself. We will also be using this stimulus to write a newspaper report about the disappearance of the dolls.</p>	<p>MATHS</p> <p>Year 5 will learn about fractions, decimals and percentages. Children will learn how to add and subtract fractions, multiply fractions by whole numbers and find fractions of amounts.</p> <p>Year 6 will move on to learning about position and direction. After this, we will begin exploring algebra.</p> <p>We follow the White Rose maths curriculum. https://whiteroseeducation.com/</p>
<p>WAYS YOU CAN HELP AT HOME</p> <p>In school, we are spending a lot of time focusing on times tables. Times tables are key to being successful across the maths curriculum. Encourage your child to use TT Rockstars to practise their times tables at home.</p> <p>Year 6 children should continue to use their revision guides and access the variety of website provided on their revision guide: Rollama Maths Bot (arithmetic tests) Arithmagicians</p> <p>One of the best ways to support your child at home is to listen to your child read daily and record this in their reading records. Discuss the characters and main events in the story to check their understanding of what they have read. Discuss the vocabulary and make predictions about what might happen next.</p>	<p>MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING</p> <p>For information on bedtimes and sleeping: https://www.betterhealthatworkaward.org.uk/The%20Good%20Night%20Guide%20for%20Children.pdf</p> <p>We recommend no screens before bed, a bath or shower and story together.</p> <p>We understand that the upcoming SATs assessments may be beginning to cause worry for some of our Year 6 children. In school, we are doing everything we can to prepare your children for these and will provide your children with revision guides that they can access at home. Please support your child by encouraging them to complete these weekly.</p>	<p>EVENTS IN SCHOOL</p> <p>All parents and carers are welcome to celebrate our learning, in and out of school, at our Friday assembly. Please enter through the main entrance after drop off where will be pleased to welcome you into school, with refreshments. Mrs Mason, Miss Bartle and Mrs Stringwell are all around at this time.</p>	