English

In English we will be continuing to develop pupils' fluency and comprehension skills through daily English lessons and guided reading sessions. Pupils will continue to read, enjoy and discuss a range of high-quality age-appropriate texts across a variety of genres. Our class book for the spring term is Who Let the Gods Out? by Maz Evans, which is sure to test the pupils' prediction and inference skills.

The children will be writing fiction and non-fiction texts. The first half term will see the pupils analyse the language and features of narrative with a focus on characterisation, before they write in role as Elliot from Who Let the Gods Out? We will also be writing a diary based on 'the boy from floor 17'. Our SPaG skills will be applied throughout the curriculum and in free-writing opportunities.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar curriculum requirements will also be a key focus.

Useful Websites: BBC Bitesize, Topmarks and

Science

The topic for the term is the Circulatory System. We intend to visit Ellowes Hall to take part in a dissection lesson - more details to follow.

Computing

E-safety remains the priority in computing lessons. Year 6 will be using variables in games and looking at spreadsheets.

Dates for your Diary:

 9^{th} Jan and 27^{th} Feb Attendance events - invites will be sent out shortly

11th and 12th Feb - Progress Meeting Evenings

6th March - World Book Day

12th March Pioneer Residential

Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter Year 6

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

Our year 6 team are:

Mrs Lewis, Miss Richards, Mrs Shaw

and Mrs Greenway

Topic

For this term our topic is Ancient Greece. The children will be placing the key events from the era on a timeline and locating Greece on the map. We will be looking at how the physical geography of the country and islands contributed to the formation of the city-states. The Greek Gods will be studied, as there are many links to our class-reading book: Who Let the Gods Out? The children have already started to identify some words in the English language that originate from the ancient Greek's language.

Art/D.T.

In D.T. Steady Hand Games will be designed and made using our knowledge of electrical circuits and nets of shape.

Maths

Year 6 are building on their fraction work and moving on to decimals and percentages. In this unit we will be calculating with decimals and solving problems with percentages. This work will enable the children to work fluently with equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages to solve real-life problems. We start the term with Ratio and Proportion as well as starting Algebra.

Later in the term year 6 will be working on properties of shapes and statistics.

Useful Websites: TT Rock Stars, BBC Bitesize and Topmarks

Homework will be given out weekly. Some weeks will be maths sheets and others from the CGP book.

Year 6 pupils are expected to read and change their homereader books regularly.

P.E

PE this term focuses on Gymnastics and Indoor Athletics

PE is on Wednesday

Music

We will be exploring advanced rhythms. In the second half term we will be exploring the use of music on film. P.S.H.E.

Health and wellbeing will be our topic and we are looking at ways to deal with loss and change.
RE

Our RE work this term focuses on Journeys and Talking about God leading up to the Easter story.