



Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 have already made a fantastic start to their Autumn Term! Please take a look below at the new and exciting learning that will be happening in up to the Christmas holidays.

### **English**

The first half term block is based around a theme of *Survival*. It consists of two English units: adventure stories and biographies. After half term, our theme will be *Britten's Got Talent?* During this time the children will be looking at classic fiction, poetry (songs and lyrics) and persuasive writing.

The children will continue to have daily guided reading sessions.

### **Maths**

Lessons in Maths will continue to follow the Power Maths scheme. This term the children will be looking at place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions and imperial and metric measures.

Please encourage your child to access the Active Learn app at home to further embed these maths skills.

### **Religious Education (RE)**

Our first unit is 'Life as a Journey'. The aim of this unit is to give children an opportunity to think about the idea that that life is a journey and what it means to make that journey as a Christian and to enable pupils to begin to understand the concept of undertaking a religious pilgrimage.

After half term we will be looking closely at the season of Advent. The aim of this unit is to delve deeper into the themes of the season of Advent and to introduce pupils to the Christian belief that Jesus will return (the second coming).

### **Science**

The children will be looking at 'Electricity' followed by 'Light' in the second half term. During our 'Electricity' topic the children will be recapping some prior learning from Y4 as well as learning how to draw circuit diagrams using the correct symbols and plan, carry out and evaluate an experiment to see how changing the wire in a circuit affects the brightness of a bulb.

### **Computing**

To begin with the children will continue their learning on 'Online Safety' – please see our school website for further information. In the second half term, the children will be continuing to learn more about 'Coding'. They will continue to follow the Purple Mash scheme which is still accessible from home. Please contact Mrs Parry if your child has misplaced their login details.

### **PE**

PE will be on a Monday and a Thursday afternoon this term – please make sure they come to school in their PE kits on these days. They will begin with Dance and OAA this half term followed by Gymnastics.

### **History**

This term the children will be learning all about Life on the Homefront during World War 2. They will explore questions about the cause(s) of historical events, understand narratives within the period studied and identify and explain their understanding of propaganda. We will also be running a trip to Lancashire Museum in Preston to further enhance the children's learning.

### **Geography**

Year 6 will be looking at Biomes this term. The children will be describing climate zones and biomes, use maps, atlases and globes to locate countries and be beginning to learn about indigenous populations of different biomes and how climate affects their lives.

## **Art**

Art will be taught by Mrs Hopwood in Year 6. The children will be looking at drawing skills (specifically proportions of the human body) and then use clay to sculpt their own figures based on something they enjoy doing in school.

## **Design and Technology (DT)**

Year 6 will be learning about electrical and mechanical components this term. They will be working in groups to research, design and make their own model fairground ride.

## **Music**

Music lessons will also be taught by Mrs Hopwood this term. The children will begin by focusing on dynamics, pitch and texture before moving on to learning about World War 2 songs.

## **PSHE**

Year 2 will continue to follow the Heartsmart scheme. They will begin with 'Get HeartSmart' before moving onto 'Don't Forget to Let Love In'. We will also be addressing these themes in our whole school and class worship.

**Kind regards,**

**Miss Hopwood, Mrs Swales and Mrs Hopwood**

## **Key Dates**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September – Y6 Meet the Teacher**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Recycle Week starts**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September – DT Week starts**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Harvest Service in church (9:30am start)**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Individual Photographs**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Children's Mental Health and Well-Being Day**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Parent Consultations**

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Parent Consultations**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October – School closes (3:15pm finish)**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – School Opens**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Y6 class worship**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Carol Service in church (1:30pm start)**

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – School closes (2pm finish)**