# Year 6 Newsletter



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# Spring Term

## <u>English</u>

In the Spring 1 we will be looking at the Tale of the 3 Brothers from Harry Potter. We will be writing folk tales and non-chronological reports.

In Spring 2, we will be reading Holes by Louis Sachar, focusing on writing persuasive brochures, instructional texts and recounts.



In the Spring Term we will cover the following concepts:

- Multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000.
- Fractions, decimals and percentages.
  - Area of shapes.
  - Reading timetables.
  - SATs PRACTISE



## Wider Curriculum

**History** – Our topic is the Victorians. We will explore how voting changed during the Victorian era, as well as why secret balloting was important.

**Geography -** Our topic is Fair Trade. We will look at why Fair Trade is important for producers and how products are transported from Panama.

**PSHE** – we will explore how to keep safe online and our rights and responsibilities.

**RE** - Our Key Questions are: Is anything ever eternal? Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth?

**Art** – We will explore the work of Lowry by recreating our own digital versions of Victorian buildings, as well as drawing silhouettes of Queen Victoria.

**DT** – This half term we will design and make our own chocolate to coincide with our Geography topic, Fair Trade.

#### Key Dates

Friday 31st January – Team Building Day Wednesday 5<sup>h</sup> February – Valentines Disco Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Come and Join us morning Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evening Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Red Nose Day Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day

## <u>Science</u>



Spring 1 – Circulatory and respiratory system. We will look at why these systems are important to our bodies and why we need them to survive.

Spring 2 – Evolution. We will explore how finches have adapted to their current surroundings and investigate different fossils.

### <u>PE</u>

Our sport this half term is Volleyball. PE is still on a Friday. Please ensure warm clothes as we are outside.

#### How can you help at home?

Reading – please promote reading as much as possible by engaging with the book your child brings home and other books they may enjoy. This can be them reading to you, or you reading to them.

Times Tables – Revise times tables. Our favourite game is Hit the Button, which can be found on Top Marks. There are also some great games on Purple Mash.

<u>Hit the Button - Quick fire maths</u> practise for 6-11 year olds

#### Purple Mash by 2Simple

Dojo – please engage with dojo as much as possible. The children love seeing when parents have viewed and liked posts.