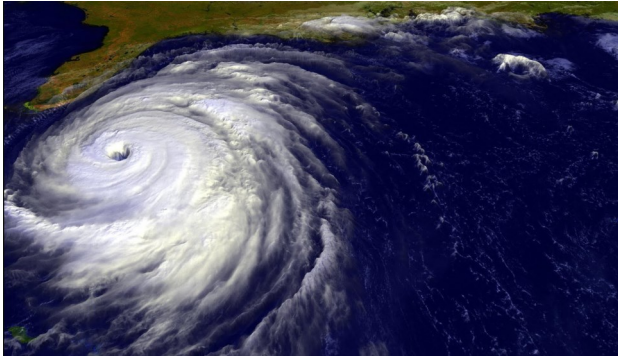


Homework

English and maths homework is handed out in books on Fridays and must be completed by the following Wednesday.

It is essential that homework is completed each week. The work sent home will be to consolidate and practise skills learnt in class and will ensure we are aware of any areas which may need more practice in lessons.



Meetings and Appointments

We are always happy to talk to you about your child's progress and well-being. For any personal or confidential matters, please call or email the office for a telephone appointment with a member of the Year 6 team.

Mr Bagwell 6A Class Teacher/ AHT of UKS2

Miss Mason 6B Class Teacher

Mrs Cole Year 6 Teacher

Attendance

It is important that your child attends school every day. If they are absent please make sure that you inform the school immediately. Work will be sent home to ensure children can catch up on learning missed.

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Celebration Assembly

Our celebration assembly is on Friday at 2.45 pm. This takes place in the large hall and celebrates the children's achievements.

Key Dates for your Diary

PE is every Monday.

Children will have access to reading books from the school library.

Year 6 will take part in Forest School this half term on the dates below:

6A—Tuesday 17th January and 6th March

6B—Wednesday 18th January and 7th March

Wednesday 25th January— SATs Meeting

Spiritual Moral Social Cultural

We will be having debates and discussions on a range of issues during our P4C (Philosophy for Children) lessons. We will also be learning about different cultures and dispositions during our weekly phase assemblies and daily reflection times. Taking part in a wide range of activities and workshops will continue to raise our awareness of how to keep ourselves and others safe, happy and healthy.



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Year 6 Curriculum Letter Spring Term



Our topic this half-term is
Natural Disasters.

This booklet will explain what your child will be learning over the coming weeks and how you can support their progress at home. We are really looking forward to continuing to work with you this term.

Maths

In maths, we will be learning more about area, perimeter and volume whilst consolidating our learning from the Autumn. Children will be developing their problem solving skills to prepare them for the challenges of the SATs papers. Children will take practice papers and their progress will be shared with you at parents evening.

It is essential children are fluent with their times tables, to support your child further, please use Timestables Rockstars at home. Every child will have a username and password.

<https://trockstars.com/>



Writing

In writing, we will be concentrating on writing narratives and balanced arguments based on our Natural Disasters topic. Children are encouraged to read as much as possible as including inspiration and ideas from their reading is a greater depth writing skill in Year 6. Each final writing piece will serve as evidence for each pupil's end of key stage writing assessment.



Reading

Reading books will be changed once a fortnight. Regular reading is vital to your child becoming a confident writer. If children need advice on selecting appropriate books, their teacher will be able to help them. During this term, we will be reading **Tsunami Kids** by Paul and Rob Forkan, **Tashi and the Cloud Tea Monkeys** by Mal-Peet and Elspeth Graham.



Grammar and Punctuation

In grammar, we will be revisiting and refining a range of punctuation and grammatical techniques that the children have learnt throughout KS2 such as prepositions, different tenses and active and passive voice.

We will be developing the children's ability to use techniques accurately and effectively throughout their writing.

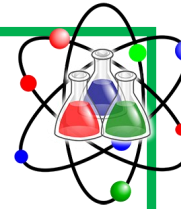
Science

In science we will be focusing on Light.

Children will explore different sources of light and how light travels.

They will also to explore how light is made up of many colours by creating a rainbow using a prism.

Finally, the children will conduct enquiries into how light travels in straight lines. This will include the children creating a periscope to explore seeing around corners and over-heads.



Geography

The focus in geography is to investigate places. Children will learn about major disasters of the recent past, including the Boxing Day Tsunami. They will study a variety of weather events and the damage that can be caused. Finally, they will learn about plate tectonics and how they link to natural disasters.



Art

In art, children will be exploring using a range of brush strokes and layers in their work.



Brilliant Beginning

Children will have the opportunity to create their very own tsunamis in trays. They will learn about how tidal waves are created, how they move and the devastating effect they have on coastal areas.

Fabulous Finish

After studying flood management, children will visit the Selly Park South flood defences on Dogpool Lane and evaluate their effectiveness.