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# Year 6 Newsletter - Autumn 1 2023

# **Curriculum Overview**

# **Book Focus:**

This half term we are reading as class Wonder, by R J Palacio

# **English:**

In English we are learning to write an alternative ending to a story; a discussion text and a newspaper report.

# Maths:

In Maths we will be focusing our learning on Place Value within 10,000,000 and the four operations.

#### Science:

Our science topic this half term is Light and Perception.

#### Topic:

In **History** we are learning about the Ancient Egyptians

Art: Painting – mixed method portraits.

**Music:** Improvising

**PE:** Swimming and Football

**PSHE:** Being me in my world – identifying goals for the year

**<u>RE:</u>** The Big Question – how does religion bring peace and conflict.

**Computing:** Computer Systems

#### PE

Year 6 will be swimming every Thursday afternoon from 16<sup>th</sup> September.
Your child will need to bring the correct PE kit to school on a **Friday**, when we will have a PE lesson in the afternoon. We will be outside whenever possible so please make sure that they have jogging bottoms.

# Reminders:

- Reading books need to be brought into school every day as we will be using them at 8.40 for individual readers
- As the weather is starting to get colder, your child will need to bring a waterproof coat with them to school each day.
- Please make sure your child has a water bottle with them every day containing only water.

<u>Contact us:</u> If you have any questions or queries regarding your child, don't hesitate to speak to us at the end of the day, or make an appointment at the office.

**Thank you!** From Miss Minister, Mrs Norris and Mrs Waller

#### Homework

#### Half termly project

Our history topic this half term is the Ancient Egyptians. Your task is to produce a fact file about a famous Ancient Egyptian. You will need to research your chosen person and then choose how you wish to present your information. You could do this as a Powerpoint

Presentation; a fact file poster – either on the computer or created by hand; you could create an interactive poster – with flaps to lift which reveal the answer to questions. Be as creative as you like!

We would like your fact file to be handed in (either physically or by email) by Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. We will then create a wonderful display of all of your amazing fact files. We can't wait to see them!

# **Reading**

Please make sure you read every day at home for at least 10 minutes.

### **TTRS**

Please use your Timestable Rockstars log in to regularly practice your timestables at home. You might like to watch some of the Supermovers videos to help you remember the facts. https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers/times-table-collection/z4vv6v4

# **Spellings**

Each week we will set you 10 words to practice spelling at home. These works are taken from our spelling scheme. The first 4 words will be 'challenge words' (words from the spelling list for Y5/6 from the National Curriculum for English, marked in bold) The remaining 6 words will focus upon the letter pattern we will be exploring in class.

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Controversy	Correspond	Desperate	Disastrous
Convenience	Criticise	Determined	Embarrass
Especially	Hindrance	Existence	Familiar
Exaggerate	Excellent	Explanation	Amateur
Deflate	Recycle	Overthrow	Boastful
Decode	Rebuilt	Overturn	Faithful
Decompose	Rewrite	Overslept	Doubtful
Degree	Revenge	Overuse	Fearful
Delight	Retrieved	Overpaid	Thankful
Deserve	revise	Overbalance	Beautiful
Week 5	Week 6 – revision of challenge words from this half term		
Environment	Please choose 10 of the challenge words (words in bold) and ask		
Equipment	an adult at home to test you on them.		
Frequently			
Government			
Musical			
Political			
Accidental			
Require			

Acquire	
Enquire	