Life in All its Fullness - Come and See





As your child enters their final term at St. Andrew's, it is customary for Year 6 to 'finish well'. We aim to achieve a healthy balance of preparing the children to move on to secondary school, whilst at the same time encouraging them to embrace and enjoy their final term in school. Despite the current Covid restrictions, there will still be many special memories for Year 6 to take away with them. We will be working on putting together a drama production (even if we end up having to record it!) as well as creating a Leavers' Book. In addition, the children will be continuing to enjoy lots of interesting and exciting learning as outlined below.

Maths

In **Maths**, our learning sequences this term will explore the order of operations & algebra; ratio & proportion; volume; measures; statistics; algebra & sequences; mean averages and pie charts.





English

In English, we begin the term with a fiction unit based on the animation 'Red Miss Take', before taking part in a very exciting whole school writing project. We will also be learning how to write promotional guides before developing our discussion & debating skills.

Science

In Science, we start with the unit **Evolution & Inheritance**. We will be thinking about inherited features, how animals and humans have evolved and adapted, as well as looking at what we can learn from fossils. Our second unit is entitled **Animals Including Humans** and focuses on the circulatory system and the effect of exercise on our bodies.





Topics: Coasts (Geography) & Adventuring into the Unknown (History)

Our Year 6 topic for the first half-term is 'Coasts'. In this Geography based topic, we will compare different coastal locations and learn how physical features of coasts such as arches, stacks and stumps are formed. (If we are able to go on our residential, we will incorporate a 'Brenscombe add-on' where we will explore the contrasting locality of Purbeck and the history of Corfe Castle.)



In the second half-term, our topic will be entitled: 'Adventuring into the Unknown.' Within this topic, we will first be 'looking back' at some of our local history (specifically the fascinating history of our school) before 'looking forward' to secondary school through a series of secondary transition lessons.

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RE

In RE this term we will explore the following themes: 'How does faith enable resilience?' and 'Justice & Poverty: how does faith make a difference?'. As we consider these themes, we will consider the perspective of a range of faiths.



Design & Technology and Art



The first part of the term will have an art focus. Linking in with our Geography topic, the children will explore landscape paintings before creating their own coastal art-work. In the final half term, we will carry out a Design & Technology project, where we will enjoy designing and making fairground rides.

Physical Education and Relationships & Health Education

The children will continue to have PE on **Monday** and **Friday** every week. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kits on those days. This term, Year 6 will be developing skills for hockey and net/wall games. For RHE, we continue to follow the Jigsaw scheme. This term's units are 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'. Both of these subjects will be taught by Mrs Small.



Computing

This term, we begin with a focus on networks before moving on to blogging.

Music

We will continue to follow our excellent new music scheme: Charanga, as well as working on a musical production this term.



Further information

Please continue to encourage your children to **read regularly at home**. This is essential to support their learning and progress in school. Spelling & Maths homework tasks will continue to be set via **Microsoft Teams** on a Thursday and should be handed in by Tuesday. Occasionally one of these tasks may be replaced by homework for another subject. Please ensure your child has a **named water bottle** in school each day. They may also wish to bring a healthy snack for breaktimes.

We are looking forward to a brilliant term, with lots of new learning and experiences for the children, celebrating life in all its fullness.

Miss Broomfield & Mrs Solanki