

Year 6 Autumn 1 Newsletter

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Welcome back to the new school year! We have been so impressed with the enthusiasm and dedication the pupils have shown already shown to /year 6! We are very excited to be working with every one of the students this year!

English

This term, children will be taking a journey down to South America to write adventure stories related to our topic set in The Amazon Rainforest and based on the core text 'Journey To The River Sea.' We are going to focus on improving our grammar and spelling skills in order to write across a range of fiction and non-fiction genres.



Punctuality and Attendance

Just a reminder that school begins promptly at 9am. To ensure that the children maximise on their learning, we would advise that children be in the playground at 8.55am, ready to enter the classroom when the bell rings.

Mathematics

This term we will be focussing on building on our prior knowledge of arithmetic and consolidating our understanding of number in preparation for working within the new national curriculum in the coming year.

Weekly homework allows children to practise the skills further at home.

Creative homework!

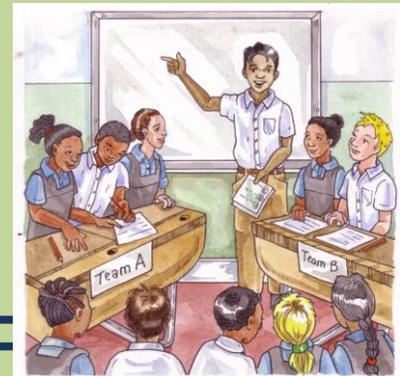
We would like children to utilise their researching skills and research a country of their choice in either North or South America to present to their class. Children could make a Prezzi, PowerPoint or create a poster. Be creative! We will present to each other from the 10th October onwards.

Science

Children will be looking at Evolution and Inheritance within science this half term. We will look at our physical attributes and the traits that have been passed down through our ancestry, focusing on dominant traits and characteristics in humans and animals and how they have survived through the process of evolution.

North Vs South America

We are starting the year with a geography topic. We will be delving into researching the continents of North and South America and producing a fact file on a specific country within one of these. We will be looking particularly at human geography (which country has the highest mortality rate, highest happiness index, best quality of life, etc.) and using this to determine where we would prefer to live. Once we have gathered all the information necessary, we will have an in class debate to express our opinions! We look forward to seeing any future lawyers emerge!



Dates for your diary

- 14.09.16 Meet the teacher
- 16.09.16 6JE class assembly
- 22.09.16 Secondary transfer meeting
- 29.09.16 Shakespeare Cast Workshop
- 05.10.16 Year 6 trip to the Natural History Museum TBC
- 31.10.16 Deadline for secondary admissions
- 03.11.16 Shakespeare School's Festival Performance

A quick reminder!

6CM PE days will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
6JE PE days will be on Thursdays and Fridays.