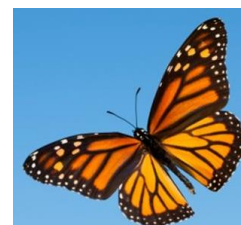


Curriculum Newsletter

Y6 – Summer Term 2019

I hope that you have had a happy Easter break and are ready for the busy, action packed and fun summer term ahead! We have a lot to look forward to this term, including our trip to the Pioneer Centre and our school production.

The theme of the summer term is **CHANGES**. This topic will incorporate geography skills (investigating physical and human changes in different locations), history skills (investigating slow and rapid changes in history) and will feature across the whole curriculum this term. It will also be the focus of our PSHE work, exploring all of the upcoming changes – including the transition to secondary school.



MATHS will include developing mental skills and strategies as well as skills in the following areas:

- Using knowledge of the order of the operations to carry out calculations.
- Using simple formulae.
- Drawing and naming parts of a circle and drawing shapes accurately.
- Multiplying and dividing up to 4 digit numbers using the formal written method.
- Associating a fraction with division and calculating decimal fraction equivalents.
- Drawing graphs and relating two variables.
- Presenting and analysing statistics (linked to topic)



Please encourage your child to continue to practise their maths – including times table facts and Doodle Maths. Remind them that 'little and often' is best.

ENGLISH - Throughout the summer term, Year 6 will be covering a wide range of fiction and non-fiction styles which will link in with our 'Changes' topic.

SPEAKING AND LISTENING - Pupils will develop the ability to listen and take notes, read aloud to an audience, explain their ideas and opinions and contribute to drama and role-playing sessions.

GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION AND SPELLING - grammar, punctuation and spelling rules will be incorporated into everyday writing.

READING – We will continue to explore a wide variety of texts, reading deeper into the meaning of texts and the techniques used by authors. We will also continue our emphasis on 'reading for pleasure' and appreciate any support with this- for example encouraging your child to read widely at home, visiting the local library or discussing books together.



COMPUTING - The children will continue to work on their apps linked to our 'Changes' topic. By the end of the term, each group will have created their app and presented a sales pitch to demonstrate its features.

R.E.- Children will be exploring religious approaches to the creation story and the importance of the Ten Commandments to people who follow the Christian faith.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY and ART – Linking in with the computing project, the children will be designing products using a range of technology. We will take an in-depth look at market research and refining a design. The children will apply art skills to create a high-quality finish to their products.

P.E. – This term, we will focus on games including tennis and rounders. The children will continue to develop a range of skills and apply them into these games. We will also have a focus on athletics. P.E. will continue to take place on **Wednesday mornings**.

MUSIC - Our focus this term will be on performing together in groups and as a whole class. Much of the emphasis of this term's music will be on our end of year production.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to say that we are very proud of all that the children have achieved this year. They have worked hard and have continued to develop into mature, caring and hardworking young people. We are confident that the children will continue to do their best and make you, themselves and us proud. Most importantly, we hope they enjoy their last term at The Ridge and celebrate the time they have spent here.

Please do not hesitate to speak to me or Mrs Kirby if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Ball and Mrs Kirby

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