



Curriculum Information for Parents

Autumn Term 2

Year

6

Literacy and Maths

Literacy: The non-negotiables will be taught for Year 6 throughout Topic Time. Writing opportunities will be linked to the topics and the children will produce a variety of different outcomes such as informal letter writing and non-chronological reports. Related punctuation and grammar will be taught alongside the writing activities.

Every child will have an age-related reading book provided from school, please support your child's reading and write in the planner every time they have read and sign.

Numeracy: The focus will be on fractions – adding and subtracting fractions; multiplying and dividing fractions; finding fractions of an amount; and solving problems with fractions.

Topics

Week 1, 2 & 3: In Flanders Fields

During this three week History topic, the children will be researching the countries involved in WW1, trench warfare, local soldiers, inventions from WW1 and the Battle of the Somme.

Week 4 & 5: Could Spiderman Really Exist?

In our next Science topic, we will be looking at how plants and animals can be classified according to their characteristics; identifying the difference between invertebrates and vertebrates; and the significance of the work of scientists such as Carl Linnaeus.

Week 6: Advent

In this one week Christmas topic, the children will be looking at the story of Advent in more detail, as well as enjoying some Christmas arts and crafts too!

Week 7: Remember Remember

In our final week of the half-term, we will be doing a Remember Remember week, where we will be spending some time revising all of the sticky learning from the whole Autumn term.

Religious Education

The children will take part in an RE lesson every Tuesday afternoon. Our next unit of RE is 'Why do some people believe in God and why do some not?'. This half term our Christian value is justice.

Physical Education

Year 6 will take part in 2 PE lessons each week, on Tuesday and Friday. On Tuesdays we will be doing ball skills and on Fridays, we will be doing basketball.

Computing

They will be focusing on online safety and blogging using Purple Mash, as well as using the IPADs for numeracy and topic, where appropriate.

Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

At St Thomas' we value the link between home and school and we recognise parental support is vital to a child's progress and education. Check your child's planner on a Friday – tick off any home learning – and we will need an adult's signature too, weekly. Use the resources provided on the Year 6 website page to do extra learning on our topics; there are suggested home learning tasks on the Year 6 website page too – take a look and write any tasks that your child has completed in their planner. Additional homework might be set – only when appropriate. Your child needs to wear full PE kit for indoor and outdoor PE on Tuesdays and Fridays. Come to school in full PE kit on these days.