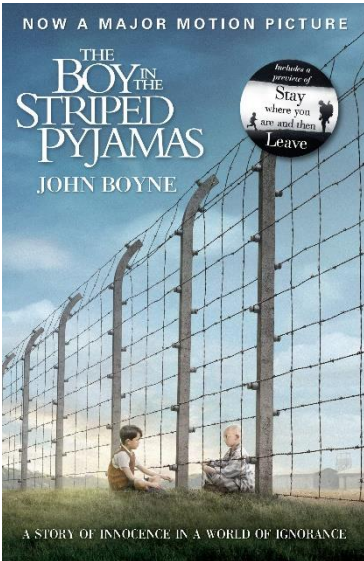


Year 6 Autumn 2: Curriculum Newsletter



This term, Year 6 will be studying the cause and effects of World War II. We will use the John Boyne book 'The Boy in The Striped Pyjamas' as a stimulus for this. We WON'T be watching the film based on this text but may select some clips to support understanding of what has been read.

Blended Learning: This is the term we use to describe the mix of school-based learning and online home learning. If we go into a lockdown or our Year 6 bubble needs to self-isolate then we will use Microsoft Office 365 to continue with the children's learning. The children are fully aware of how to access the home learning tab in their Teams account. If we move to online learning this is likely to be a mix of lived streamed lessons, video lessons and independent based tasks, our aim is to provide the children with the same standard of education they receive in school. Thank you for your anticipated support with this.

Knowledge Organisers: The knowledge and vocabulary we want the children to obtain in History, Geography, Science and RE is detailed in Knowledge Organisers, which can be found on the school website. These documents can be used at home to support the learning taking place in school. They are also attached to this newsletter.

Reading: Please read as often as possible with your child and record in their green reading record. Children that read regularly at home develop literacy skills at an advanced rate than those who don't.

English:

As always, our initial focus this term will be on building the children's vocabulary. We will be reading The Boy in The Striped Pyjamas. Drawing out the vocabulary and word classes will be our focus and how we can use this knowledge to write our own ambitious sentences that are grammatically correct. These lessons will cover the Year 6 expectations for spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Maths:

Year 6 will continue to focus on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of fractions. We will then move onto using Algebra and working with different units of measurement. Children will consolidate their multiplication and division facts for all times tables up to 12. Maths homework will be a mixture of revisiting concepts and pre-learning new ones. Each child has an account on mangahigh.com which is a game-based platform for supporting mathematical learning at home. Please encourage your child to use it.

Foundation Subjects:

Religious Education this term will be a continuation of what it is like to live life as a Muslim.

History will focus on the cause and effects of World War II.

Science is a study of evolution where we will look at the work of Charles Darwin.

The children will continue to learn Latin phrases that support the understanding of the English Language.

Other information:

- PE will take place on a Wednesday afternoon for Rowan Class and a Tuesday for Hazel Class. Children are expected to come into school wearing their PE kit which must include a school jumper – not a branded one. At this time of year, it is advisable to wear water proof clothing as PE will be taught outside as much as possible.
- Homework will be set online on a Friday and expected to be completed by the following Thursday. Lunchtime Homework clubs will be held twice weekly for any child who cannot access the internet at home. We will not be providing printed homework.