



## Summer Term - Y5/6



The Easter break is over and now we're back ready and raring to go for another exciting term! We hope you all had an exciting, enjoyable and fun-filled holiday - we all did.

Now we're back to school we'd like to share with you a brief outline of some of the work the children will be covering over the coming term. Please note that in the run up to Y6 SATs (week of 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> May) the Y5 and Y6 children will be split in the mornings – the Y6 will be following a revision programme and Y5 will continue with normal maths, literacy and guided reading.

As always, if you would like to volunteer to help in class or have resources you think would be useful, please let us know.

### Literacy

We will be teaching literacy in blocked units of work, the titles of which are: Presentation – speaking aloud, We're Going on a Bear Hunt, Persuasion, Newspapers and Fantasy. Reading will be daily and will develop the range of comprehension skills the children will need in later life. Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) will also be taught regularly.

### Maths

All areas of mathematics will be covered. Teaching will include practical activities, formal methods and problem solving. The children will work on tasks suited to their ability.

### Science

We will be studying the unit Materials, the main focuses being sorting materials, solubility, reversible & irreversible changes and conductors & insulators.

### Other Curriculum

Our project is entitled Sun, Sea, Sand and Surf which is mainly geography based. However, there will be opportunities for cross curricular art, history and computing.

### Outdoor Learning

Wherever possible we will enhance our learning using the outdoor grounds including our fabulous yurt, nature area and raised beds.

### RE, French and Music

RE, French and Music will continue to be taught during the teachers' PPA (preparation, planning and assessment) time. The teachers will be – Mrs Rowe – RE, Madame Corbett – French, Mrs Davies – Music

### SMSC Learning (Spiritual / Moral / Social / Cultural) & Growth Mindset

We will be continuing to develop our children through self-reflection and encouraging them to consider different learning approaches and how they impact on their learning. The children will also learn more about the British Values of – Mutual Respect & Tolerance, Democracy, Rule of Law and Individual Liberty.

### What's in the News?

As the children become older they often become aware of events that are taking place in the world. We do encourage conversations about these events with a balanced / reflective ethos.

### **SATs Booster Groups**

Additional booster sessions for maths / reading / and SPAG will be given to some children in Year Six to support them in preparing for their forth coming tests.

### **P.E.**

Year 5/6 children will be doing outdoor PE including cricket & athletics plus swimming. **Please make sure the children have P.E. kits in school all week** as they are sometimes needed for other activities. We encourage the children to wear correctly fitting trainers rather than plimsolls for PE as they provide better support for their feet and ankles. Swimming times will follow.

### **Homework**

For the first half of term homework will be set on a Thursday and collected in the following Tuesday for Y5 and will be ongoing and will sometimes include short daily tasks for Y6. All children will revert to Thursday to Tuesday after half term. On most occasions homework will be related to work completed in school. Please ensure you continue to hear your child read from a range of sources – the internet, comics, brochures as well as fiction and non-fiction books and comment regularly in their Planners.

### **Film Consent**

To enhance the children's learning, we occasionally find it useful to show clips / entire films to understand how atmosphere is created or to demonstrate life in a particular era. Often these are not rated **U**, thus we ask your permission to show such films. We would like to assure you that any material used, has been viewed by staff first and checked for suitability. We ask that if you have any queries, or do not wish your child to see these materials, that you let us know. If we hear nothing, we will assume that this is OK.

### **Other information**

We are in the early stages of planning a trip for all children during June – further details will follow nearer the time. The Y6 children will also visit The University of St Mark and St John and will take part in an Enterprise week.

Personal development and Sex Education will also be taught – a letter will be sent out prior to this, with further details about what is and is not included.

Y5 will take part in Bikeability during the week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> May.