



Harvey Road School

Class 6

Autumn 2021

Welcome to Class 6!

Enclosed within this brochure you will find details about what your child will be learning in all the different areas of the curriculum this term.

Essential information

I'd like to welcome your child into Year 6 and wish them a successful year. I hope you find the information below useful, please don't hesitate to catch me any day after school if you have any questions.

Homework

In Class 6, homework will be a mixture of pre-learning and consolidation tasks as well as spelling and reading. This ensures your child is not only prepared for the new learning taking place the following week but ensure new learning is embedded.

Tuesday: Comprehension and grammar activity sent home due on Friday. Spellings on Google Classroom, assessment on Friday.

Friday: Pre-learning will be set on Google Classroom due in the following Tuesday.

Diaries will be checked each Monday to ensure that children have read with an adult at least 3 times per week. Please sign the diary when reading with your child. Children who are not reading on a regular basis at home will be asked to read during break times.

If your child has a problem with the homework please make a note on the work or in the Homework diary or come in and see us.

There may be occasional pieces of homework on the other days, however, these should be short and are meant as a reinforcement of the lesson.

There will be an arithmetic test on a Monday and a spelling assessment activity on a Friday.

P.E.

Our P.E. lessons are scheduled for Thursday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has their Games kit in school each day, as the timetabling for our games sessions may be subject to change. Please ensure that they have trainers in school as we will be outside as well as inside.

Other Adults

PPA cover will be provided by Mrs Bray on a Monday morning. She will be teaching Maths, French and Computing for the first half term and Maths, French and History for the second half term.

Best wishes
Miss McKay

English

In English, we will be looking at a range of books by different authors as well as using film stimulus to inspire our writing. One of the main books we will be using is The Spiderwick Chronicles Fieldwork Guide. Our main focus will be developing sentence structure and enhancing our vocabulary within a range of writing contexts. During lessons on reading comprehension, they will be focusing and answering questions on authorial intent, inference and deduction. Children will need to practice reading regularly to an adult and independently to improve their skills in this most important area. When reading non-fiction we'll be looking at explanations and non-chronological reports linked to other areas like history and geography. Accurate reading and applying their growing knowledge of root words, prefixes and suffixes will promote their understanding of new vocabulary. Other essential areas of study will include handwriting and presentation, spelling, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation.

Maths

The children will be identifying and working with numbers up to 10 000 000 and will be able to determine the value of each digit. They will also be using negative numbers and calculating intervals across zero. They will apply this knowledge to solve a range of mathematical problems. They will use all four number operations to solve multi-step maths problems involving money, measurement or 'real life'. Number operations will include completing long multiplication and long division using multi-digit numbers up to 4 digits by a two-digit whole number. The children will be taught a number of efficient methods but primarily formal written methods. Mental calculations will be taught regularly and will include mixed operations and large numbers. They will be encouraged to estimate so as to check their answers are realistic. Fractions, decimals and percentages will be linked to help show how they relate to each other, encouraging children's flexibility when solving mathematical tasks. Children will compare and order fractions of different denominations. They will also be taught to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. Pupils will be taught to identify the place value of decimals up to three places. Multiplying and dividing whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100, 1000 will also be practiced. Children will also study Ratio and proportion, Algebra, Measurement, Geometry and Statistics (Data Handling).

Science

The principal focus will be to enable pupils to develop a deeper understanding of a wide range of scientific ideas. They will be exploring and talking about their ideas; asking their own questions about scientific phenomenon; and analysing functions, relationships and interactions more systematically. They will also be selecting the most appropriate methods of scientific enquiry and carrying out practical investigations to answer science questions. This term the children will be studying 'Light' and 'Electricity'.

History

In History the children will be finding out about the Early Islamic Civilization. We will be comparing their successes to other civilizations around during the same period. We will be investigating their success in trade.

D&T

This term children will be learning about the principles of a healthy and varied diet. They will be building on their prior skills and learning how to make pastry in order to make a savory pie.

Art

We will be following a new art scheme this year and developing the use of sketch books. The first part of the term will focus on refining skills in different areas of art such as drawing, painting, sculpture, printing and design. The second part of Autumn term will be a topic called 'Make my voice heard'. This will be a mixture of graffiti art, abstract art and developing the use of shade to create 3d effects.

Music

This term our unit is called 'Happy'. We will be listening to and appraising Happy by Pharrell Williams as well as developing their musical skills and finally performance skills.

PE

This term the children will play a wide range of competitive games – netball, basketball, hockey and football – developing skills and techniques, playing small sided games then playing full matches. Gymnastics – developing a sequence of movements on the apparatus showing a range of dynamics.

Computing

The children will use blogs for collaborative projects in school, uploading different types of digital content, while checking copyright and crediting sources. They will work as a class to build a wiki around a class topic, taking editorial responsibility for their work. They will show a knowledge of the school's eSafety rules and will encourage other children to keep safe online.

RE

Looking at Christianity and Buddhism and how they express their faith in art, drama and song. Compare sacred and secular Christmas within their own lives. Explaining the significance of Christmas to Christians and non-Christians.

PHSE

This term we will cover two topics: Being Me in My World and Celebrating Difference.

The children will begin to understand their rights and compare these to other children around the world. As well as this, they will be learning about what makes them unique and how to support each other in celebrating our differences.

MFL

The children will learning some of the phonetics behind French which will support them as we move on to other topics this year. Our second topic in Autumn 2 is learning vocabulary related to school.