

# School value:

Our school value for this half term is RESPECT. This value will be explored through assemblies, circle time sessions and throughout our daily routines.

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back everyone! We hope you have had a lovely half term break and enjoyed making lots of memories! We are all looking forward to a very exciting term and the events taking place in the lead up to Christmas. The children had a fantastic start to the year and we know this is going to continue during the next half term.

If you wish to speak to me, please book an appointment to see me with the school office.

## Year 6's learning this half term:

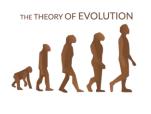
This term, Year 6 will be focusing on the Human Rights global theme. We will be using the text 'Trash' by Andy

Mulligan to learn about the inequalities in Brazilian society. We will learn about the story of a young boy whose life is changed when he discovers a wallet full of money when searching through a dumpsite. The children will be writing descriptive narratives and a blog linked to the core text.



Curriculum: Continuing their geography skill and understanding, this term

the children will be consolidating the geographical skills gained last half term and using them in conjunction with their oracy skills on presenting. The platform this learning will take place on will be to create a new charity platform and online marketing. This will also be using a lot of the children's IT and computing knowledge and learning new skills in this area.



Science: During the Autumn Term Year 6 will focus on Living Things and Evolution. We will start by learning how to classify different living things and discuss different types of plants and animals that live on Earth. During the second half of the term we will discuss the theory of evolution and how plants and animals adapt and evolve to suit their different environments. We will also learn about the life of Charles Darwin and how his theory impacted societies thoughts about plants and animals.

**Maths:** Maths lessons this half term will focus on the children developing their calculation skills. We will focus on the four operations as well as calculation rules such as BIDMAS. We will then move onto working with fractions and developing our understanding of fractional parts and calculating with fractions. Through arithmetic we will revise the four operations and practice a range of calculations. The children will be given a range of fluency and reasoning activities throughout the term.

**Music:** This half term we will be focusing on our listening skills, investigating a range of music.



**PE:** The 1<sup>st</sup> week back will conclude the intensive swimming sessions each day. In PE this half term the children will continue their dance sessions on a **Monday**. They will also be learning multi-sports in their outdoor sessions on a **Tuesday with Mr O'Regan**. **Computing:** This will be linked to our Curriculum work this term and the children will be

planning and creating an interactive documentary and continuing to develop their computing skills using Purple Mash.

**<u>Art</u>:** The children will be creating art linked to our core text 'Trash', focusing on the theme of a city scape and the different ways you can create the landscape of a city. **<u>French</u>:** This term the children will be learning how to talk about clothing in French. They will also continue to work through levels on Duolingo.

**<u>RE:</u>** This half term in RE we will be learning about Christiantiy and their festivals.

## General Information

**<u>PE:</u>** PE will take place twice a week, Monday and Tuesday. Please make sure children wear their PE kit to school on the day they have PE.

<u>Reading Record books</u>: Please encourage your child to write any books they read in the reading record book.

<u>Water bottles:</u> Please ensure your child brings a clean, suitable water bottle into class with their name on.

<u>**Times Tables:**</u> It is important that children in Year 6 continue to practice all Times Tables in order to improve their fluency. They should also use their Times Table Rockstars account whenever possible to practice.



### <u>Reading</u>

We will do whole class reading <u>every day</u>. The children will work on a range of reading skills and strategies including deduction and inference.

The children will change their home reading books when they have finished. They can choose a book from home to read or take a book from the book corner. It is important that the children try to choose books that stretch them and help to improve their vocabulary.

Please try to read with your child every day at home for ten minutes. Please feel free to give feedback about how they got on, or the difficulty level of the reading book. We appreciate all

## Dates for the Diary:

Parents Evening : Tuesday15<sup>th</sup> November & Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Children in Need 18th November Inset day: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November Shrewsbury Park Trip - TBC Natural History Museum Trip Friday 16th December End of term: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December