

English: Taught in own classes with an extension group with Mrs Cunningham once a week for an hour. **Our genres for this term are based on:** Narrative (Voices in the Park), *balanced argument, biography/ autobiography*. **SPaG** (Spelling/punctuation/grammar) will be taught in an explicit lesson as well as included in writing sessions. Weekly comprehension/reading. **Spelling** lessons are taught in three sessions out of the five per week. **The Year 5/6 statutory spelling list can be found in the back of the pupil planner.**

Topic: Mountains (geography). Looking at mountain ranges and climate data. Exploring the expedition of Mallory & Irvine (Everest). Pupils will also investigate the Jurassic coastline (linked to Swanage trip) and find out about British National Parks.

RE & PSHE: Islam and Jihad is the final topic in RE this year, while in PSHE we will be covering aspects of Sex & Relationships Education, including body image, changes in Boys & Girls and Birth and Conception. We also discuss dealing with death of significant people & people trying to gain power. A transition to Secondary Program will also begin.

Homework:

Children are still expected to read 5x per week for 25 mins. This should be recorded in their Homework Planner and signed weekly by a parent/adult. In preparation for SATs, children should continue to work through their 'Raising the Standard' maths booklets in addition to setting their own revision timetable at home (with Rising Stars books, or similar). Post-SATs, Maths/English homework will reduce and tasks will tend to be topic-based. Children will also be required to learn lines and songs for the Leavers' Production.

Maths: Is taught in 2 groups across Year 6. **All groups cover the same content:** the Summer Term focus will be on data handling, statistics and algebra with a focus on problem solving & reasoning after SATs. Arithmetic will be included in the extended daily session and homework will be a mixture of objectives for revision. **Reminder:** All children are subscribed to TT Rockstars and Abacus online so please encourage them to use them! Logins can be re-issued where necessary.

Year 6 Summer Topic Web

Essentials/Daily Kit/Planner:

Your child needs a pencil, rubber, sharpener, 30cm ruler, coloured pencils, whiteboard pen, glue stick and blue handwriting pen (if appropriate), kept in **one small pencil case**. An art shirt is required. Children are encouraged to wear watches. Only small stud earrings can be worn. Long hair needs to be tied back. No nail polish. Uniform must be clearly named and worn correctly. Homework Planners are to be in school daily.

Science: Human body - an in-depth look at the circulatory system, the functions of the heart and the impact of lifestyle on health and fitness. Electricity – exploring circuits. There are useful resources on the BBC website:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize/science/>

Computing: Children will be working in groups to create a Leaver's video using MovieMaker. Once the children have decided on the song they would like our 'parody' version will begin to take shape. Performing and movie skills.

PE: Rounders, Tennis, Cricket & Athletics taught by specialist Sports Coaches and/or class teachers. Named PE Kit should be in school Monday to Friday. Plimsolls for indoor PE sessions and trainers for outdoor are expected. Navy tracksuits are allowed in colder months. Watches and earrings must be removed by the children for PE lessons.

Art & DT:

Pupils will complete their Marionette project with Mrs Cunningham. 'Art Illusions' will include work on photography and perspective, plus Graffiti Art.

Wider Curriculum & Diary Dates:

13th -16th May – SATS week
8th May – Sex & Relationships Ed & Swanage Meeting
3rd June – INSET Day
24th – 28th June – Swanage Residential Trip
5th July – Sports Day
22nd July – Leavers' Assembly 7pm
23rd July – Year 6 Trip Spectrum/BBQ/Y6 Disco

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