

## Homework

For homework, children will have some work assigned weekly, as well as spellings, and daily reading. Children putting effort into their work are rewarded in class.

It is also crucial that your child knows all their times tables up to  $12 \times 12$ , including an understanding of how division and multiplication are linked (e.g.  $3 \times 4 = 12$  so  $12/4 = 3$ ). Knowing this

## Reading

It is most important that your  child reads for 10-20 minutes EVERY DAY. Please sign their home Reading Records or ensure they do themselves so we have an idea of how much they are reading regularly.

After reading with your child, it is helpful to ask them questions about what they have read. We want to develop their skills of understanding and inference. To push them further, talk to them about why the writer has selected the words they

## Spring 2 Parent Workshops:

Please see website (Under Parents → Workshops) for more information on times.

- Speech and Language 20.02, 06.03, 13.03
- Talk for Writing 21.02
- Dyslexia 23.02
- Multiplication and Division KS1 28.02
- Multiplication and Division KS2 01.03
- Autism 02.03
- Phonics 16.03

*If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact us directly at hometime or via the school office.*



Year 5  
Newsletter  
Spring 1  
2017

Our topic this half term is:

## The Geography of the Middle-East



The Year 6 topic for Spring 2 will be "The geography of the Middle-East", where children will learn about the countries of the Middle East, climate, landscape and settlement.

## The year 5 Team:

6AK: Amardeep Kaur

6AC: Amy Chambers

6AS: Arti Shah

Support Staff: Emma Milligan/ Uttam Singh

## Important Dates

### Class trips to the Imperial War Museum:

6AK: 23.02.17

6AS: 28.02.17

6AC: 28.02.17

6AC, 6AS, 6AK: Shakespeare Workshop

### Swimming and PE:

Every Friday except:

Monday 6th March Year 6 P.E.

Monday 27th March Year 6 P.E.

### World Book Day:

Thursday, March 2nd, 2017. Please come to school dressed up as your favourite book character!

### Science Week:

During the week of 13th March.

## Science

In Science this half term, Year 6 are learning about Humans and Other Animals. During this topic, we'll be learning about:

- **Keeping healthy**
- **The function of the heart**
- **The function of the lungs**
- **Lung capacity**



## Maths



In maths, we are continuing to focus on improving our approach to problem solving and developing a mastery approach where all children will gain a deep understanding of topics.

This half term, we'll be looking at:

- Number: place value, ordering & comparing numbers;
- Calculations: calculation strategies for all four operations.
- Shape & space: properties of 2D/3D shapes; using properties to identify/sort shapes, angles and coordinates.
- Data handling: analysing different forms of data display.
- Efficient written strategies for all operations.
- Using and applying: real-life problem-solving; using calculation skills in real-life contexts.
- SATS revision

## Humanities and Topic Geography

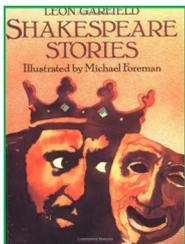
In history, we'll be looking at the geography of the Middle East.

### Art

In art, children learn about drawing buildings, in particular in 3D buildings. They study the architecture of the Middle East and create a sculpture based on this work.



## English



We'll be starting off with "Macbeth" in our "Theatre and Plays" unit, and will look closely at other plays by Shakespeare.

Our focus will be on use of language, authorial intent and view points and structures of texts.

Next, we'll take a look at 'The Viewer' by Gary Crew and Shaun Tan.

## Computing

In computing this half term, we'll be using ZU3D software to create a stop-start animation to tell a short story linking to English and the work of Shakespeare.

### R.E.

In R.E., we'll be learning about Christianity and faith in action and Easter.