

Swallow Teaching Team

Mr Meech - Monday, Tues & Fri am
Mrs Daunton - Weds & Friday pm
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Tues/Weds & Thur

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Mrs O'sullivan
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Welcome to the Summer Term of Year 6!

The first half of this term is the countdown to the children taking their SATS. The second half of the term will be lots of fun and exciting times including the school residential and the Y6.

Below is a brief summary of all the exciting learning opportunities that Year 6 will encounter over the term.

In English this term, we start by looking at text from the series, *The Genius Of The Ancients* by Izzi Howell and Sonya Newland. We will focus on the Anglo Saxons book following our recent topic work.

In lessons, (alongside audience and purpose, spelling patterns and handwriting) we will be focusing on the following areas of grammar:

- using the passive to affect the presentation of information in a sentence
- using devices to build cohesion within a paragraph
- linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, place and number or tense choices

Our next class reader is 'High Rise Mystery' and is a child-friendly murder mystery follows the story of Nik and Norva who are desperate to find out who killed their friend, Hugo.

In Maths we will start our revision work for the SATs. Areas covered will include; shapes, angles, measure, statistics and multi-step problems.

In RE, we begin by learning about 'Unity.' and how we all belong to different families including the Church. We will move on to cover eastertide, pentecost and sacraments as the term goes on.

Wider Curriculum overview

Science will see us classifying living things before looking further into us as humans. We will look at the circulatory system and how oxygen is transported through the body.

In Humanities, we start the term exploring and learning about the migration and the causes and consequences of people moving to live in different parts of the world.

In history we will be looking into the concepts of Power, Empire and Democracy at the legacy it has on the world we live in today.

In Music, we will be learning the songs and percussion for a Y6 Play.

Our mind, health and safety are covered in RSE, E-Safety and PSHE lessons. This is incredibly important in Year 6 as we continue to mature into adolescents.

In Art we are studying the topic, Art and Identity. This unit looks into artists and explores the different mediums they use to create collage. Alongside this unit, children will learn about and contribute towards making stage props ahead of our Year 6 production.

Homework

Homework will be set every Monday and needs to be handed in on Friday.

There is homework club every Monday for those children who wish to come along. - 3.15pm - 4.15pm.

As always we encourage children to practice their tables on Times Table Rockstars.

Dojos

We have spent some time re-affirming our behaviour expectations in class and around school.

The school rules are set out in three simple messages:

Be Safe
Be Kind
Be Respectful

We are constantly praising children who meet these expectation through the use of class dojo points. Once children receive 300 dojos they will receive a Bronze certificate. Once all of the children have received their Bronze award there will be a class treat. Children can then go on to achieve a silver award (600 dojos) and a Gold Award (1200)

We have been delighted with how the children have been responding to these over the last couple of weeks.

Each week we will be presenting the Heart of Gold award for a child who is a shining example of the school values

We will also be sending out regular class messages on the dojo app so if you do not have access to it please see the office for help.

SATS

SATS week is at the beginning of May and will run from the Monday 13th May to the Thursday 16th May. Before Easter, we will invite you to a meeting to explain how they work and the expectations of the children.

PE Days

PE continues to be on Mondays and Tuesdays so full kit to be worn on those days, please.