



Class 5/6I Newsletter.

'We can and will succeed'

Staff in Class: Mr Ivel/Mr Swire (Class Teacher Mon-Thurs). Mrs Fishwick (Class Teacher Friday). Mrs Briggs and Mrs Lorgat.

Message from the staff:

Welcome back 5/6I!! I trust you have all had a relaxing and enjoyable time over the holidays and are ready for the start of the Spring term. I would like to introduce Mr Swire to you all, who will be working with our class until the Summer term completing the final stage of his teacher training with the support of Mr Ivel. Remember, there is always one of us available should you wish to discuss any queries or concerns about your child.

Class Topic: Science and DT Links

Our topic this half-term is 'Inside Out.' As part of this topic we will be using our Science and DT skills to learn about food and nutrition. We will be finding out what makes a healthy and varied diet and why it is important to eat a balanced diet in order to stay healthy. We will be exploring some of the great national British dishes and the children will spend time exploring national dishes before planning, designing and costing for their own healthy meal that will represent great British food. The children will also learn how to stay safe and hygienic when preparing food.

Science: We will be looking at 'Animals including humans - The Heart and Health. This unit explores the circulatory system and health helping the children to understand how blood travels through our bodies and the effects of smoking, alcohol and drugs, but also thinking about how we can be pro-active and stay healthy by keeping a balanced diet

R.E: Y5 will be look at Understanding the concept of forgiveness and reconciliation and consider the importance trying to put wrongs right. Y6 will be focusing on 'What Christians believe about death?'

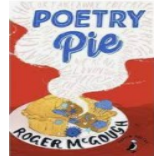
Maths:

In Maths, both Y5 and 6 will be developing their knowledge of calculation methods. Year 5 will be consolidating their knowledge of area and perimeter and multiplying and dividing 2,3 and 4 digits by 1 digit. This leads onto fractions. Year 6 will be working with and finding equivalent fractions, percentages and decimals. They will solve problems using their knowledge of fractions, percentages and decimals.



English:

Our class novels this half term will be Cogheart and Poetry Pie. We will use a range of videos and non fiction texts to develop our grammar and writing skills including writing information texts, diary entries, missing person reports and some poetry. We will use our drama skills to help us understand characters from our class novels including freeze framing, emotion mapping and creating role on the walls. We will also be writing play scripts as well as writing an indepth book review using quotes to support our views.



PE:

On Wednesday and Friday afternoons children will have P.E with Mr Cummings where they will participate in a range of ball games. They will also be improving specific sport related skills including teamwork and agility. Can we remind you that children must bring their full P.E kit, in line with school policy, for each session.

PSHCE: Dreams and Goals:

Will help the children to think about their goals for success, what their personal strengths are and how to overcome challenges via team work skills and tasks. They will learn about experiencing and managing feelings of pride, ambition, disappointment and success. They also share aspirations of others in different cultures and their dreams for the world.



MFL:

In French, we will be looking at family trees and family faces. The children will learn how to write personal information about a family member using nouns for parts of the face.



French

How parents can help at home:

We are focusing on reading and writing this year. Reading really accelerates children's writing so please read at home and record when you have listened to your child read in their record. Keep supporting your children with Seesaw to access homework which is set each Friday and due back the following Wednesday.

Days/Dates to remember:

- PE is on Wednesday and Friday. Children will need to come into school in their full school uniform with their PE kit in a bag to change in to.
- Homework is set on Friday and due back on Wednesday. Our spelling tests will be on Fridays.
- Please ensure that reading records and books are in school daily so that we can check pupils are reading and so we can read with pupils in class too. It would be lovely to hand out more Bronze, silver (even gold!) reading certificates this term!