



# Class 5/6DF Newsletter.

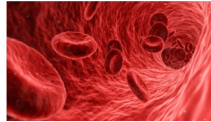
'We can and will succeed'

Staff in Class: Mrs Fretwell and Mrs Dale (Class Teachers), Mrs Furniss (Support staff).

## Message from the staff:

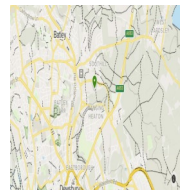
Welcome to all the parents/carers of class 5/6DF. We hope you have had a relaxing half term break and are ready for the final half term ahead of us. As always, our door is always open should you have any quick questions or concerns that we can help with. We have lots of exciting learning planned for this half term and we hope the children will be excited to share this with you.

**Science:** Our topic this half-term is 'Animal Including Humans'. In this unit we will explore the important role of blood in our circulatory system including how it is filtered through the body, describing the function of different blood vessels and how it is vital for transporting oxygen round the body. We will also explore the effects of diabetes on the body and the role that bacteria plays in our circulatory system.



## Topic: Our Local Area

We will be combining our History and Geography skills this half term to explore the local area of Batley including how it has developed and changed over time. We will use a range of sources to compare Batley today with Batley in the past and use our Map work to observe geographical differences. We will also have the chance to use our Textile and design skills to create drawstring bags as part of this topic.

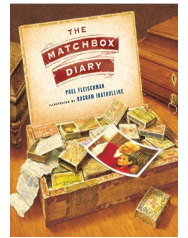


## Maths:

In Maths, Year 6 will be completing their unit on ratio and proportion and will apply their maths skills through investigate projects. Year 5 will be focussing on measurement involving angles and converting units of measure. They will also look at a range of shapes and how to translate these across quadrants.



**English:** Our class text this half term is Matchbox Diary—a detailed illustrated story telling a very personal story. We will be writing to describe scenes based on this story alongside developing our ability to write in the first person through letters and diaries. In VIPERS, we will look at autobiographical writing and information texts linked to our Science and P.E Topics, as well as developing our inference skills through studying the characters from Matchbox Diary.



## PE:

Swimming will continue to take place for Year 5 on Monday and for Year 6 on Thursday. Children are expected to have the correct swimming kit. Children will have P.E with Mr Cummings on Wednesday, they must bring their full P.E kit, in line with school policy, for each session.

## PSHCE: Changing Me

We will be learning about how our bodies change physically and emotionally through our lives. Please refer to the letter sent out before half term with a full session outline for this topic. Year 6 must return consent forms.



## MFL:

In French, we will be developing our knowledge of describing different weathers and giving a simple forecast for different areas. Finally, we will prepare for summer by designing our own ice creams!



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:** On Friday, children will need to come into school in their full school uniform with their PE kit in a bag to change in to.

- Swimming - Year 5 Monday, Year 6 Thursday. All children will need swimming kits in a bag to change into.
- Homework is set on Friday and due back on Wednesday. Our spelling tests will be on Fridays.
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- W/C 4th July is Sports Week (more details to follow later in the half term)
- End of Year 6 leavers events will take place in the final week of term (again, more details will follow later).