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Year 6 Kestrels Newsletter – Spring 2

Welcome

Welcome to Kestrels Class! This term is an extremely exciting one as we will be learning about World War 2; it's always one of our favourite topics in Year 6.

Reading

This term we will be reading 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' throughout our reading lessons and daily reading time. We will also be practicing lots of comprehension style questions and focussing on brushing up our inference skills.

Recommended reads:

- The Valley of Lost Secrets – Lesley Parr
- Goodnight Mister Tom - Michelle Magorian
- Tail-End Charlie – Mick Manning



Writing

This term, we will begin by using our letter writing skills to write letters of application for takeover day! We will then write a diary entry from a character's perspective before focussing on narrative writing using part of the story of 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'. In Grammar, we will be focussing on choosing appropriate noun phrases to enhance description and recapping the use of apostrophes for possession.



Maths

This term's units will include:

- Ratio
- Area, Perimeter and Volume
- Shape



We will also be recapping many of the arithmetic skills which were taught in the Autumn term and this will be a focus within homework.

Computing

In Computing this term, the children will be learning the basic principles of creating and maintaining a blog in a controlled and safe environment. They will also learn about history of the internet.





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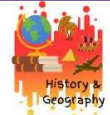
DT

This term in DT we will be designing and creating a new school playground. The children use a variety of materials to create their playground, as well as learning how to safely use saw to cut dowel and jelutong.



History

In History this term, the children will be learning about World War 2. They will begin by plotting key events onto a class timeline and then they'll learn about some of the key events in further detail e.g. the Battle of Britain and The Blitz. They'll also learn about evacuation and the role of women.



Music

The focus this term in music performance. Throughout the term, children will learn to perform a song from memory, paying particular attention to rhythmic melody whilst working as part of an ensemble, and using instruments.



PE

PE days this term will be Mondays and Tuesdays. Mondays will be indoor sessions with a focus on badminton and Tuesdays will be an outdoor session, learning about Hockey!



PSHE

In PSHE this term, the children will be considering the positive and negative aspects of using computers and being online, including laws that have been created to protect us. They will also learn about in-app purchases and how this can and does, at times, lead to debt and feelings of worry.



RE

In RE, the focus will be on the work of charities. The children will compare and contrast aspects of religion in action and they will develop their understanding of community, relating what they learn to their own questions of value and commitment.



Enrichment

Year 6 are so excited for Takeover Day which will take place on Friday 10th March. The children will be writing their letters of application during the first week back after half term.



Homework

- Children will receive Maths, Reading and Grammar homework this term in order to consolidate learning from within the classroom and prepare them for their assessments next half term. This should be completed and returned to school on Wednesday each week.

Homework Project

- Read one of our recommended reads and complete a book review when you have finished, in order to share your thoughts with the rest of your class – speak to the class teacher for a book review template!





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Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude.



Class information

Class Teacher: Mrs Sian Mutch

Supported by: Miss Abbie Cunningham

- Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.
- We request that if not using their school water bottle, children bring a named water bottle to school. We also request that when the weather is warmer, a sun hat and sun cream are brought into school too.
- Please remember that we are a nut free academy; all lunchbox/snack items should contain no nuts.

Dates for the diary!



Friday 24th February – Year 3 Cake Sale

Friday 24th February – PTA Disco

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day

Week Beginning 6th March – National Careers Week

Friday 10th March – Takeover Day

Week Beginning 13th March – STEM Week

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day

Wednesday 22nd March – Class Photos

Friday 24th March – Year 1 Cake Sale

Friday 31st March – End of term Achievement Assembly

Friday 31st March – School closes at 3.15pm for Easter break

Monday 17th April – Training Day

Tuesday 18th April – School opens at 7.45am for Summer Term