

Year 6: Summer 1 Beautiful Britain

Information about Year 6

Homework:

Maths and English homework will be given out on **Monday** and must be returned on Friday. Reading, spellings and times tables should be practised every night.

P.E. Timetable:

Class 6A: PE Monday and Friday

Class 6B: PE Tuesday and Friday

Class 6C: PE Monday and Thursday

Please ensure that your child brings in a full PE kit to school labelled with their name and class. No jewellery is to be worn so please remove prior to school.

Uniform:

Children are expected to wear the correct school uniform including their blazers and ties.

Appointments:

Class Teachers are always happy to discuss your child. Just make an appointment via the year group email – Year6@jamescambellprimary.org.uk or contact teachers on ClassDojo.

English

In English this half-term the children will be reading the story: Brashem's Tortoise. The story is set during World War Two, the children will explore the historical setting and the style of writing. The outcome from this text is a writing a story, using powerful imagery to build a picture of the setting in the reader's mind. Our non-fiction unit this half term is based on the illegal sale of exotic pets. Children will identify the language features of formal letters and write their own using technical and higher-level vocabulary. In reading, children will firstly finish reading 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' by Onjali Q. Rauf which explores immigration, racism and friendship. The children will also be reading a non-fiction text, 'Wartime House'. This examines the daily life and family dynamics of 1940's Britain. In our reading lessons the children will develop their reading skills. Strategies are taught by the teacher through weekly guided reading, daily shared reading and read aloud sessions.

Spelling and Grammar

The children will continue to focus on a new spelling pattern every week and will learn how to use and apply these rules. Whilst grammar lessons will focus on word classes, using punctuation and range of sentence types for effect.

Useful websites for spelling and grammar:

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/lookcover/lookcover.html>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/

www.activelearn.co.uk

The Wider Curriculum

This half-term our topic is Beautiful Britain.

- ◆ In **Art**, children will learn about the cultural, historical, political and social context of the printmaking process, linked to Andy Warhol
- ◆ In **Science** this half term, children will learn about the circulatory system and how it enables the body to function.
- ◆ During **RE**, children will explore the role of at least three different religious leaders in the local community.
- ◆ In **PE-Gymnastics**-pupils will combine balancing & travelling to produce a floor and an apparatus routine. Outdoor and Adventure: This unit focuses on following instructions, working as a team and finding solutions in a group to complete tasks.
- ◆ In **ICT** children will learn about internet safety and how to search safely online.
- ◆ In **PSHE**- in this unit children will learn to apply strategies to manage feelings and the pressures they may face when using technology in ways that may be risky or cause harm to themselves or others.
- ◆ **Music**- Children will have the opportunity to explore and develop their instrumental playing skills using the glockenspiel against a backdrop of jazz and blues pieces.
- ◆ **Geography** children will learn about the physical and human features of the United Kingdom.
- ◆ In **Spanish**-This unit helps children discuss healthy lifestyle choices in Spanish. They will learn a range of vocabulary for healthy as well as unhealthy foods and drinks.

Maths:

In Maths this half-term, children will be taught a range of strategies for solving calculations mentally. After this, children will move onto understanding and answering word problems in a range of everyday contexts. Children will be taught how to use the bar model and RUCSAC when answering these problems. Some of these lessons will focus on using money in everyday life contexts to help prepare the children for later on in life. Children will revisit previous learning, within lockdown, understanding the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages, involving a range of problem-solving activities to real life contexts. Children will be taught how to find fractions and percentages of amounts and use these skills in everyday life contexts. Children will revisit time, practising to read, write and convert time between analogue and digital 12- and 24-hour clocks. Children will also solve problems converting different units of time (hours, minutes, months and years) as well as calculating time intervals within real life contextual problems. Arithmetic will be focused on throughout this term giving the children a chance to consolidate their arithmetic skills they have learnt this year.

Useful websites:

<https://uk.ixl.com/math/year-6>

<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/mentalmachine2.html>

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://trockstars.com/>