

Year 6 Curriculum Overview – Autumn 2 - 2022

Our topic this term is: Britten's Got Talent

English

This half term our learning will be based around the classic children's novel Ice Trap by Meredith Hooper and The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum.

In the reading phase, children will focus on their skills of prediction, inference and conscience control of writing techniques. During the 'gathering content' phase, children will write a diary entry from the viewpoint of Ernest Shackleton, detailing pertinent issues he faced. The children will then continue to research Shackleton's life and will write a biography about him. The children will then continue to gather content from his early life until his death just over 100 years ago.

In the reading phase, the children will take part in reading response and reading analysis lessons focussed around the early chapters of the book. Before the 'gathering content' section of the narrative unit, we will have the opportunity to write a formal letter to the Wizard, alongside creating a character descriptions for characters they may find in Oz. Thereafter, the children will continue to gather content, plan and write an extended narrative based around The Wizard of Oz. The characters described will feature as central characters within the children's independent narrative stories.

Maths

In Maths we will begin with consolidating understanding of fractions, moving on to decimals and then percentages. Towards the end of the term will consolidate and then build on previous learning of 2D and 3D shape. Rapid mental recall of all multiplication and related division facts will also be a key focus this half term. It is important that children regularly practise their multiplication and division facts both at home and in school.

Science

This term, the children will explore the topic of Light and Astronomy - Children will understand that light appears to travel in straight lines, and then use this idea to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light into the eye. Explain that we see things because the light that travels from light sources to our eyes or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes. Use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

The children will be working scientifically by observing and raising questions about how we see, how light moves, how shadows are created etc.

Art & Design

In art, the children will explore the work of artists, craftspeople and designers from different times and cultures. They will question and make thoughtful observations about starting points and select ideas to use in their work.

Children will be encouraged to use a range of media and techniques. Once they have carried out preliminary studies, they will be guided to create imaginative observational drawings. We will also be using a graphics package to create and manipulate images.

RHE

In RHE we will be learning about bullying and its effects on wellbeing. We will also be learning about marriage - including different faith / legal perspectives - and the fact that marriage in the UK is available to both opposite and same sex couples.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Regards,

The Y6 Team