



The Priory Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back Team 6. We are so excited to have you back. We have some exciting learning ahead. Most of the learning we will be doing is in line with the Year 6 Curriculum map, but here is an overview for your ease.

We are starting a new history topic, **20th Century Conflict**. This unit will demonstrate the journey from WW1 to WW2 looking in depth at the Treaty of Versailles, Hitler, life in Nazi Germany and the discussion on whether or not WW2 was inevitable.

In **English**, the children will be researching, planning and writing a Mental Health Leaflet with the hope that other children in the school can benefit from these. As our topic is World War 2, we have three writing units centred on the war: Machine Gunners by Robert Westall, Friend or Foe by Michael Morpurgo and The Piano. The aim this half term is for the children to plan and write a narrative, a non-chronological report, a newspaper article and a recount – sounds busy! After break time each day, the children have an incredibly helpful time to conduct meaningful edits in their writing but this is also a time where the adults can conduct meaningful dynamic interventions / support for writing and maths from the previous day.

In **Maths**, we are using the Maths No Problem and will be working on 'graphs' and 'averages' as well as 'negative numbers'. This half term, the children will also be completing informal assessments in preparation for assessment week to ensure they are confident with their maths skills and this will allow me to analyse the data to help consolidate their learning further.

In Class 6, **Science** takes place across a whole morning so that the children can fully immerse themselves into their learning. This means that there is plenty of time for investigations and discussions. We will be learning all about the human body covering: the digestive, musculoskeletal and the circulatory system. We will also be describing and comparing reproductive processes and life cycles in animals. The children will be looking at the effects of; diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on how their bodies function.

Key Vocabulary: gullet, stomach, intestine, teeth, mouth, enzyme, saliva, digestion, artery, ventricle, valve, aorta, capillaries, oxygen, white blood cells, red blood cells, platelets, plasma, heart, blood vessel, pumps, lungs.

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In **PE**, Mrs Kelly, who will be doing outdoor games every Tuesday, is teaching the pupils Cricket; working and building upon their Striking and Fielding skills. They will need to wear their outdoor PE kit during this time.

In **RE**, we will be learning about The Kingdom of God asking the key question, 'What kind of King is Jesus?'

In **MFL**, we will be learning French with a weekly visit by a language specialist from Twynham School.

In **PSHE**, we will be using the Jigsaw scheme to think about 'Relationships' both in person and online.

Core Skills time

As soon as the children arrive in school, they will have a task to complete. This will either be: a workout from one of their CGP books, Times Table Rockstars or Reading Plus - the children have previously benefitted from this structured time. After lunch for 20 minutes, before our afternoon session, the children will be completing a workout in one of their CGP books (Spelling & Vocabulary, Reading, English, Maths and Timetables) to consolidate their learning.

Homework

Home learning will continue to be on Google Classroom this year and the children responded well to this last half term. All of the children should have their home learning journals at home should they wish to make jottings. Pupils will be set English home learning tasks each **Monday**, to be completed by **Thursday**. These will alternate between reading comprehension and SPAG. Maths home learning will be set on a **Thursday**, to be completed by the following **Monday**. If the children do not complete their home learning on time, they will be completing it during their lunch break within the school day.

Children will also continue to use IXL, which as you know, is an excellent tool to improve their English and maths skills. Spellings: We will continue to personalise spelling this term. Children will learn their spellings, which will be uploaded onto Google Classroom. Please encourage your child to practice these spellings using the 'Look, Cover, Write' method.

Pupils in Class 6 are expected to read at home on a daily basis, either a reading book or through Reading Plus. It is important that the children are reading a vast amount of books with varied language as this can help to inform their writing and spoken language.

Please keep an eye on Twitter, which is regularly updated with information, photographs and Learner of the Week.

Thank you for your continued support as we look forward to a successful term in Class 6.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Field
Class 6 Teacher

