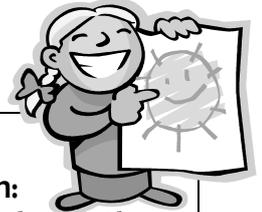




WOODVALE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Curriculum Newsletter – Y6 Spring 1 - 2020



English

We are using Talk for Writing to write a discursive text followed by a meeting story. We will use colons, semi-colons, dashes and brackets to correctly punctuate our writing. We will write detailed arguments in our discursive text and use adventurous vocabulary to build suspense in our meeting tale.

Maths

We are using Power Maths to teach: Decimals – looking at their relationship with fractions before multiplying and dividing them. Then, we will learn about percentages. We will focus on finding percentages of amounts before finding missing values, converting fractions to percentages and calculating equivalences between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will then learn about algebra. We will know how to find and use rules before solving equations using formulae.

Reading

Each week, we will read a particular text which we will then define adventurous and unknown vocabulary from. Following that, we will use our weekly text to learn about the key skill of: 2d) explain and justify inferences with evidence from the text. We will look closely at characters' feelings and actions based on what has happened in the text so far, what might therefore happen next and what our own opinions of the character are.

Topic

Our topic this term is Frozen Kingdoms.

By the end of the topic, we will have learnt to:

- Use grid references, lines of latitude and longitude, contour lines and symbols in maps and on globes to understand and record the geography of an area.
- Identify the position and explain the significance of latitude, longitude, equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime (or Greenwich) Meridian and time zones (including day and night).
- Describe the climatic similarities and differences between the Arctic and Antarctic regions.

Music

This term, we will work on a unit called 'O Fortuna' through a composer called Carl Orff. We will learn about pentatonic scales, chords, composition and ostinato.

Physical Education

Hockey will be the focus through the term where children will use hand-eye coordination and balance to dribble, pass and shoot the balls with accuracy and care. Collaboration and tactics will also play a key role in this team sport.

Homework

- Each week, our homework packs will contain a task for:
- English – usually around Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar
- Reading – a text to read followed by questions to answer using the text for evidence
- Maths – based on the week's learning
- Spellings - 10 words per week based on the week's learning
- Children are also expected to read regularly at home and to practise their times tables using Times Tables Rock Star.