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YEAR 6

Summer 2018

CORE SUBJECTS

Maths

Our focus this half term is on ensuring children are as comfortable as possible with the format of the SATs assessments.

If you want to support your children at home with mathematics, you can **talk to them about numbers** around the home. Perhaps when you go shopping, **give them problems to solve**, get them to read scales when cooking and read timetables. This will really help them when they are doing their SATs.

Once SATs are out of the way the children will be investigating a range of mathematical problems using a fun, quest based scheme whereby they need to solve mathematical challenges to help a character on her quest.

English

In English this half term, we will be revising different types of text and looking at the key features of these texts. If you would like to help your child, have a look at these types of writing:

- Stories
- Scripts
- Letters
- Newspapers
- Adverts

After SATs we will continue to develop writing skills and have the chance to produce a longer piece of narrative writing based upon our topic work on Mexican history and Tudor Explorers. We will also be preparing for the end of year production, which will be announced once SATs are out of the way! Watch this space!

Science

We are looking at the various science topics we have completed since Year 3. These include Living things and their habitats, Electricity and Evolution and Inheritance.

To support your children in science, look at these websites for lots of revision tips and quizzes:

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips

www.bbc.co.uk/ks2bitesize

The bitesize website can also be used for revising Maths and English too so they are very helpful!

Computing

Year 6 are going to be using the laptops and hopefully our new set of i-Pads on a regular basis this term.

This term's main focus is on the topic of 'We are Web Developers'.

The class will be using software called 'Weebly' which is a web developing tool. The children will be evaluating current websites to assess their strengths and weaknesses before planning and building their very own website. The content of the site will be based on work from our 'Mexico' topic and hopefully by the end of term there will be 30 more live websites on the internet.

FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

Music

Of course the end of the year and the end of Year 6 in particular means 'Production' time.

Miss King and I will be selecting a fantastic musical production for the children to throw themselves into this term. I cannot wait to see how well all the little actors, actresses, drama kings and queens take to the fantastic songs and scripts.

We will announce the production after SATs and be allocating parts before half term to allow time for learning lines.

R.E.

For this term, we are going to be learning about Buddhism. We will investigate key stories, artefacts and beliefs in Buddhism and compare and contrast these with Christianity and other religions we have studied throughout our time at All Saints.

We will also be travelling to a Buddhist temple to see how people worship.

Geography/ History

We will be completing topic work on Mexico this term, studying and comparing localities and looking at the physical and political geography of the country.

We will also be looking at the ancient history of the country and the civilizations which lived there before the arrival of explorers from Tudor England.

D&T

This term Year 6 are going to be taking part in a unit of work we have entitled the Year 6 Great Egg race. Teams will be challenged to design and create inventive ways of transporting and protecting an egg (most likely more than one!) using a range of materials and building methods.

We will also be enjoying a unit of food technology linked to the topic of Mexico.

Art

Children in Year 6 will be doing lots of different types of art this term.

Our main theme is 'What a performance' in which we will be creating parts of our costumes for the Year 5/6 summer performance...more details to follow.

We will also be producing artwork for the production, including sets, props and creating backdrops.