### **English**

This term we are developing our writing and speaking and listening skills through news reports and advertising as well as exploring some visual literacy; Replay.

We will also have sessions revising the main genres of writing and focusing on spelling, grammar and punctuation skills.

Reading is still a priority for this term so please continue to read regularly with your children at home and discuss what you have read together.

### Maths

A range of topics, including decimal numbers, ratio and algebra. We will also be covering time, probability and further work on shape and space. We are also focusing on mental maths this term and how we can use known number facts to speed up other methods.

## Geography

We will be looking at where rainforests are in the world and how they have changed over time. We will be looking at different terrains and how they are used.

### I.C.T

Our time in the learning zone will enable the children to spend lots of time revising and preparing for SATS. We will also be collecting, evaluating and presenting information.

### **PSHE**

Dreams and Goals. Healthy Me.

# Art and Design

We will be looking at the artist Henry Rousseau and building up to create a large jungle collage as a year group in his style. We will be looking at using different materials and mediums for effect.

### Music

Sounds of the Rainforest! We will be using a variety of instruments and practising layering them to create an authentic atmosphere.

# I'm a Year 6, Get me out of here!

### Science

Living things and their environment: We will be looking at animals' habitats and the adaptations they have developed in order to live in them. We will also be looking at the effect of global warming and CO2 on animals as well as plants and trees.

This term we will be learning to be compassionate global citizens. We will look at the rainforest and how global warming and deforestation affect us all!

### PE

PE will continue to be delivered by our sports coach. Children should ensure they have their PE kit in school **EVERYDAY**. This **MUST** be blue or black shorts, white t-shirt and trainers. Tracksuit bottoms are option for outside PE.

# Y6 Spring Newsletter

We have had a wonderful first week, with all the children coming back rested and very positive about starting the new half term.

A reminder that the assessment week for year 6 is set nationally and this year will be during week commencing Monday 13th May 2019. Again there is no writing test paper this year, and writing standards will therefore be based on teacher assessments over a period of time. There will be a spelling, punctuation and grammar test, which we are supporting the children on, each week in class. There will be a reading paper and 3 math's papers; arithmetic and 2 reasoning tests. We will be running some booster sessions during and after school to help the children feel confident about the test expectations. It is this confidence that makes all the difference so attendance is really important!

### Homework

Children should read their school reading books every night and practice their spellings for weekly tests on Fridays. There is also the blockbusters style homelearning which is in your child's homework book. It is expected that all children complete at least one of the 4 tasks each week. There will also be SATS style homework sent out each week which will be marked together in class.



### Important dates for your diary:

11.1.19 - Year 6 First Aid Workshop

21.1.19 - Greenpeace Speaker

13.2.19 - Parents' Evening

14.2.19 - Break up for February half term.

15.2.19 - School closed for staff training

25.2.19 - School re-opens for new half term.

7.3.19 - World Book Day

15.3.19 - Red Nose Day

19.3.19 - Crucial Crew Trip

22.3.19 - School Closed for staff training.

11.4.19 - KS2 Production

12.4.19 - Break up for Easter.

Easter school dates to be announced.