

## Literacy

Our focus for literacy this half term is all things spooky as we write a setting/character description to fit an eerie clip. We will be focusing on the use of emotive language. We will be focusing on all of the SPAG elements of our writing to ensure that all of the Year 5 and 6 objectives are learnt early so that we can catch up and focus on writing for purpose. Along with this we are going to push spelling and handwriting practice to build up our stamina.

## Maths

In our early morning work and mental and oral sessions we will be recapping and strengthening mathematical skills. (This has proved to be very successful, last year, in retaining mathematical concepts for the children so please can you make sure your child is punctual). Areas of learning that will be the focus during this theme include number, place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division, decimals, and fractions. Please encourage your child to practice their times tables...

## Voices in the Park

The first 2 weeks of this half term, we will be basing all of our learning on the book 'Voices in the Park'. This is going to be covered across the whole school and we will be using it to inform our core subjects as well as art and P4C.

# Looking after our bodies

## P.E

PE sessions for Year 6 will be on 1 afternoon a week, however this can be subject to change so please bring kit on Monday and leave in school until Friday. Please bring both indoor and outdoor PE kit. We are going to be doing athletics.

## Science

Science will be an integral part of this topic as we investigate the human circulatory system. We will focus on how blood travels around the body and the variety of organs required. This will involve a deeper look into the workings of the heart, including dissecting a real life pig's heart! Throughout this topic, children will learn about the effects of exercise and healthy eating on the body and key charities who work to support those with heart problems in the world.

# Y6 Autumn Term 1 Newsletter

Welcome back! We understand that your child has now been away from school for some time and we hope that they are rejuvenated and ready to learn! We are extremely happy to have them back and are prepared to get their learning back underway and ensure they catch up on the topics they have missed due to COVID-19.

Throughout the year there will be an emphasis on exam technique. Any practice tests undertaken are designed to prepare your children for their SATs in May and subsequent transfer to Secondary School, and will in no way be pressurized. We will be holding a SATs evening later in the year where we will be available to discuss any concerns or advice you may need; a letter providing further information will be sent out nearer the date.

What's new this year for your child in Year 6:

- Children take on more responsibilities around the school.
- Children set an example for the rest of the school to follow.
- Year 6 children are expected to complete additional revision in preparation for the SATS in May.
- Year 6 children begin preparing for their transition to Secondary School.

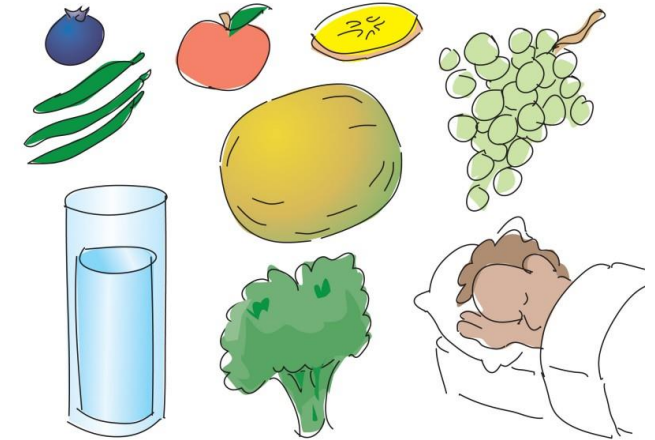
## PE

Class 13's PE will be on a **Monday afternoon**.

Class 14's PE will be on a **Tuesday afternoon**.

Appropriate kits are expected to be in school on these days as both are important and enjoyable parts of the curriculum.

**REMINDER:** Children's P.E. kits **should consist of blue or black shorts**, a white t-shirt and trainers or pumps. Tracksuit bottoms are optional during colder weather.



## Important dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 13th October – Parents Meeting Day
- Friday 23rd October – End of term