English

This term we will be focusing on a novel called 'The Nowhere Emporium'. From reading this narrative, we shall be using it to spark our imagination to create a setting description of a room within the shop which we have designed. Following on from this, we shall be writing an informal letter from our main character Daniel to Spud (the bully) to tell him of how life had changed since he's left the orphanage.

History

We shall be teaching history separately this year and our focus is on War. This half term we shall be looking at WWI — the key events, people, causes and how it ended.

P4C

This topic lends itself for us to expand our Philosophy sessions in school to consider global politics and varied viewpoints. We shall be considering different perspectives and how the choices of those in power affects others.

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 and place value. Please encourage your child to practice their times tables...

This term we will be learning to be compassionate global citizens. We will look at the refugee crisis globally and reflect upon common opinions and how the world needs to change.

Computing

For our IT we will be focussing on coding. We will look at repetition commands, 'if' statements and variables before designing our own game that simulates a physical system!

Refugees

Science

This term we shall be covering the topic of light and will be investigating how light travels and reflects off objects into the human eye. We will also be looking into the working of the eye and how its structure allows for us to see.

Geography

We will be looking at the key countries that refugees come from and where the largest camps are located; placing them on a world map and comparing them.

We shall also be ensuring that we can name and identify the 7 continents and 5 oceans as well as the major seas.

Throughout this term we will be focusing on Atlas skills and mapping. This will support us in identifying key countries and relating them to their flags and topographical features.

Y6 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer and are excited to have the children with us refreshed and ready for an exciting year in Y6!

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. To support your child with their SATS, we will be running tutoring for I hour after school. A letter will be going out about this shortly.

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 tests in May.

PE

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

Class 14's PE will be on a Friday afternoon.

We also have Flex Dance this half term on a Wednesday morning.

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.



<u>Important dates for your</u> diary:

01.09.2021 - School reopens
11.10.2021 - Class 13 Parent
Conversations
13.10.2021 - Class 14 Parent
Conversations
15.10.2021 - End of Term