

## English

This term we will be focusing on Shakespeare's Macbeth. The children will have an immersive experience, where they have an opportunity to be part of Macbeth. From this, children will create a letter of response to Lady Macbeth. Later in the term, children will produce a narrative based on Macbeth's experiences after he becomes King.

## Maths

For this term, we will be focusing on number and place value. The children have great number knowledge; we will be building on this through the year 6 curriculum. As part of our maths curriculum, we will also be focusing on arithmetic skills, where we consolidate the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). Please encourage your children to practice their times tables.

## 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!

## Art

This term we will be focusing on art from Western Africa, looking specifically at sculpture and painting. The children will have the opportunity to create their own headdress.

## History

We shall be teaching history separately this year and our focus is on War. This half term we shall be looking at WW1 – the key events, people, causes and how it ended.

**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.**

# Refugees

## DT

Our DT supports our refugee topic; we will be looking at foods from around the world. The children will cook their very own stir fry and complete a food analysis.

## Science

This term we shall be covering the topic of electricity, where we will be looking at where electricity comes from, electrical symbols and building our own circuits.

## P.E.

This term we be taking part in FLEX dance, where an outside provider will come and teach us a dance sequence, that we will perform at the end of term.

## 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 we shall be supporting the children in making the progress necessary to continue to close the gaps, which they have built on from Y5. There will be an emphasis on key skills in maths, literacy and reading as well as fully involving the children in our new history and theme topics!

This half term we will be learning about refugees, in regards to what a refugee is, why we have refugees and how it may feel to be a refugee and be displaced from your home country. We will be learning about this through immersive experiences, one of which will involve a task of children on the move and their experiences. Throughout the term, we will be creating our own dolls house, which comes from the Giant Dolls' House Project: a social project that engages participants in thinking about their home and environment through making a dolls' house in a shoebox. The project raises awareness for homelessness and refugees and makes people aware of the importance of a home and community for all and to celebrate a united diversity. For this, please could children bring in any unwanted shoe boxes, that we could use. This would be greatly appreciated, thank you.



## PE

Class 13's PE will be on a Wednesday morning.

Class 14's PE will be 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.

## Important dates for your diary:

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 – Training Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 – End of term