

Literacy

Our focus for literacy this half term is all things spooky as we write a haunting report and a setting/character description to fit an eerie clip. For the first half of the term, we will be looking at the 12 most haunted places and creating our own profile on this, to support us with a suspense report on these hauntings. For the second write of the term, we will be focusing the use of emotive language, as we will be writing our own character description story, focusing on a spooky residential trip. Along with this we are going to push spelling and handwriting practice to build up our stamina and learn the key rules.

History

In history we will be looking deeper into WW1, however, in regard to politics and women's rights – looking specifically at women's suffrage. Children will gain an understanding of this and be able to write a report on the differences between NUWSS and WUSP.

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 sheep 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.

Maths

This half term, our maths focus is going to be on recapping the arithmetic skills of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. From here we will be looking at multi-step problems and various reasoning challenges to push our learning further. We will also be focusing on ratio, where we will look at proportions. In addition, for this half term we will also look at times tables through our Enterprise project as we plan, create and market a product to sell at the Christmas Fayre.

Please continue to encourage your child to practice their times tables.

Looking after our bodies

PE

As part of our science learning of staying healthy, we will be looking at our circulatory system and focusing on what makes us healthy in terms of mental, physical, hygiene etc. With this, we will look specifically at Yoga and create a fitness class for the younger children to take part in, explaining to them why it is important that we stay healthy. In addition to this, our PE curriculum will be gymnastics, where we will look at stretches and create our own sequence.

Computing

This half term's focus for computing is on re-capping coding and creating a game. We will be continuing to use the Purple Mash program. We will also focus on online safety. Please, as you always do, continue to encourage your children to be safe online. Your children are more than welcome to log into Purple Mash at home and complete games or activities based on our topics, science or maths.

Art/Music

As part of our art curriculum, we will be focusing on Edgar Degas, who created art pieces on different body positions and perspectives, linking to looking after our bodies.

In regards to music, we will be focusing on the song 'Happy', through Charanga and will create an end piece for a whole school assembly.

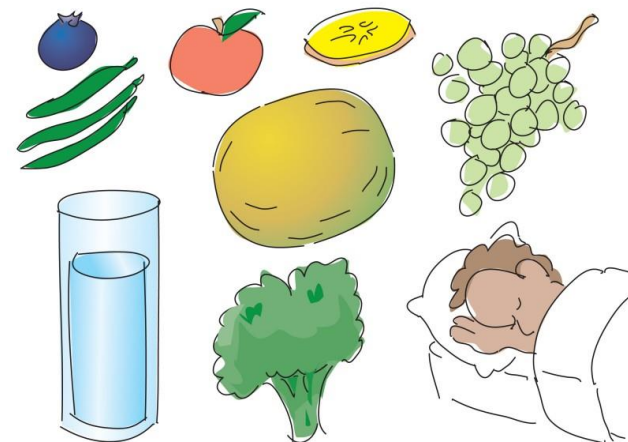
Y6 Autumn Term 2 Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that your children had a fun half term and Halloween and are ready to learn about our new topic in the lead up to Christmas.

This half term, our theme and novel study will be at the forefront of all the learning that we are doing. During this time, we shall also be making our products to sell at the Christmas Fayre.

As this is a topic focussed on science, we shall be doing a lot of work looking into the human heart, its structure, how it works and how to keep it healthy. We shall also be dissecting a sheep heart, to investigate the structure we have learnt about in real life. A letter will be going out later in the term about this.

During this half term, we will also have residential – how exciting! We look forward to meeting with you on Friday 4th November, to discuss the residential and activities that your children will be taking part in.



PE

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

Class 14's PE will be on a **Thursday 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:

- Monday 31st October – Training Day
- Friday 4th November - C13 Parent conversation day
- Friday 4th November – Y6 residential meeting
- Monday 7th November – C14 Parent conversation day
- Thursday 24th November – Christmas Fayre
- Friday 16th December – Break up for Christmas