Literacy

This term we are focusing on non-fiction and fictional writing to compare and write about real and imaginary jungles. We shall be using the film, book and game 'Jumanji' as a stimulus to support our writing of a survival guide and an adventure story. 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

In our early morning work and mental and oral sessions we will be continuing to recap and strengthen arithmetic skills. We will be focusing on a range of topics, including the core concepts that the children will need to have an in depth understanding of to be able to progress into Year 7. We will also be working on algebra, area and perimeter, converting measure and position and direction. Please continue to encourage your children to practice their times tables and practice any maths that they have learnt in school.

Computing

This half term, we will continue to focus on spreadsheets. We shall be continuing to use Purple Mash to complete tasks and practice creating our own. Your child will have their log-in so they can also access activities at home.

War and Conflict

Science

In science, will we be focusing on living things and their habitats and how animals are classified into certain groups. We will be looking into the scientist – Carl Linnaeus – who is famous for creating a system of naming plants and animals.

History

We will be progressing our history learning, after exploring the Rise of Hitler and how he started WW2. We will now delve deeper into WW2 by introducing this war to the children and what happened, as well as looking at The Battle of Britain, The Holocaust and The Home Front. This topic will also link back to our previous Literacy learning, where we focused on Alan Turing and Bletchley Park.

Art

In art this term, we will be continuing our focus on Banksy, whom is a pseudonymous England-based Street artist. Children will learn that Banksy's work focuses on graffiti, however, that he has not been arrested because nobody knows who he is. They will also discover, that he created some anti-war pieces of art and the children will re-create their own anti-war printing artwork.

Design and Technology

We shall be using our DT skills to design and create a small toy for a child aged between 0-6. Children will be using their sewing skills for this learning.

Geography

In geography this term, we will be focusing on six-figure reference grids and looking at key symbols. We will also link back to our previous geography learning, where we looked at the similarities/differences of UK and Ukraine and have a P4C session looking specifically at war.

<u>PE</u>

In PE we will be focusing on hockey and the skills needed to be able to compete in a hockey game. This learning will be taken outside so please ensure that your children bring warm clothing for weather dependent.

Y6 Spring 2 Newsletter

Spring 2 is here already and we want to congratulate all of Year 6 on how well they have been doing in their learning and the amount of progress they have made since the start of the year.

When we return to school, our focus is going to be on filling in gaps in learning and making sure that all children are secondary school ready. We ask that you please encourage your children to continue to read at home and discuss with them, what they have read. In addition to this, we also please ask that you can encourage them to practice their maths learning at home – this will support them with their understanding.

Our topic for this half term is continuing as War and Conflict. We will be moving forward chronologically through the timeline of WW2 onto the holocaust and Anne Frank. We will also be looking at modern war and how children are affected by it.



<u>PE</u>

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. Please ensure that your children have appropriate P.E. kit, weather dependent.

Important dates for your diary:

- Monday 20th February Training Day
- Tuesday 7th March World Book Day
- Wednesday 8th March Crucial Crew
- Tuesday 14th March Parents evening
- Week beginning 13th March Science week
- Friday 17th March Red Nose Day
- Friday 31st March Training Day
- Monday 3rd April School closes for Half term
- Monday 17th April School repones for Summer 1