



Curriculum Information for Parents

Summer Term 1

Year

6

Literacy and Maths

Literacy: The non-negotiables will be taught for Year 6 throughout Topic Time. Writing opportunities will be linked to the topics and the children will produce a variety of different outcomes such as Biographical writing on Charles Darwin and an extended narrative on Iron Man. Related punctuation and grammar will be taught alongside the writing activities.

Every child will have an age-related reading book provided from school, please support your child's reading and write in the planner every time they have read and sign.

Numeracy: The focus will be on SATs preparation/practise – different arithmetic style questions - and statistics.

Topics

Week 1 & 2: Have We Always Looked Like This?

During this science topic we will be looking at evolution, variation in offspring, adaptation, and advantageous and disadvantageous characteristics – with a particular focus on the work of Charles Darwin.

Week 3: Ooh La La

In this French topic, we will be learning different pastimes in French and revising rooms in a house from our previous French topic.

Week 4: SATs

For four days, the children will have their SATs tests. They will sit a SPaG, reading, arithmetic and two reasoning papers.

Week 5: Creation and Science

In this RE topic, we will be looking at the connections between Genesis 1 and Christian belief as God as creator and how the creation narrative is in conflict with a scientific account.

Week 6: How Can You Light Up Your Life?

During this science topic, we will be exploring light and how we see things (the functions of the different parts of the eye).

Religious Education

The children will take part in an RE lesson every Thursday afternoon. This half term our Christian value is truthfulness. The children also have an RE topic this half term called Creation and Science where they will explore how the creation narrative is in conflict with a scientific account.

Physical Education

Year 6 will take part in 2 PE lessons each week, on Monday and Thursday. On Mondays we will be doing cricket and on Thursdays, we will be doing athletics.

Computing

They will be focusing on using Spreadsheets on Purple Mash and using the IPADs for numeracy, literacy and topic, where appropriate.

Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

At St Thomas' we value the link between home and school and we recognise parental support is vital to a child's progress and education. Encourage your child to complete our 9 Grid Homework every week, this will be checked alongside the planner on a Friday and will need an adult's signature, weekly. Use the resources provided on the Year 6 website page to do extra learning on our topics. Spellings will be tested on Fridays. Weekly booster homework (SPaG, Reading and Numeracy) will be handed out – please support your child with this SATs preparation. Your child needs to wear full PE kit for indoor and outdoor PE on Mondays and Thursdays. Come to school in full PE kit. Black pumps should be brought in and kept in school, in a drawstring bag on your child's peg.