



# Year 6 Spring Term Curriculum

## Religious Education

In RE we will be studying Sikhism, with a particular focus on Sikhism in Britain. We will be learning about the key elements of the religion and how Sikhs worship.

## Computing

As information communicators we will continue to be app designers. We will be learning new skills to help us improve our market research. We will also be developing our interface design.

## Music

As musicians we will be learning about hip hop. We will look at the history of hip hop and then create our own in the style of the music we have learnt about.

## PE

As athletes we will be continuing to develop our agility, balance and coordination skills using our 'Real PE'. We will also be completing a gymnastic and a dance unit of work. We will build in elements of competition as our skills improve through a variety of games.

## Science

As scientists we will be working scientifically to study and understand how the human body works. We will also be learning about evolution and inheritance. We will be learning how animals and plants adapt to their environment, which leads to evolution of species.

## Life Skills (Citizenship and PSHE)

As responsible citizens we will be completing a unit called 'Going for Goals', which will support our preparation for SATs and help us to achieve our potential in all aspects of life. We will then move onto 'Getting on and Falling Out' to equip children with strategies to support their friendships.

## Art and Design

As artists we will be creating sculptures under the title 'Body Constructions'. We will be using our observational drawing to draw ourselves. We will study a variety of sculptures of people and then use these to inspire our own designs. We will think about how we can represent ourselves in the form of a sculpture.

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What a busy autumn term we have had! The children have risen to all the challenges set to them and worked hard. They have produced some great work and reflected on their learning with a mature attitude.

In our English work this term we will complete a book study on a great book called 'Clockwork' which will lead onto writing biographies. We will be creating biographies about the scientist Charles Darwin and finishing the term with writing letters of complaint. In our Maths lessons we will cover all areas of mathematics, including recapping calculation and learning about shape, data handling and probability.

Reading skills will be taught weekly within our English lessons. Please ensure you continue to hear your child read and discuss the text to ensure they have a good understanding of the text. If your child requires extra support with reading we will ensure they are heard individually and more frequently.

As always the children's pride in their work is essential and the presentation of it will be an area of focus. In Year 6 they should be joining their letters consistently and developing a real flow to their writing.

This is, as ever, an important year for your child especially as we start to prepare them for the move on to Secondary School and KS3. There are a number of key points we would like to inform/remind you of regarding their work in Year 6 and these are shown below, please take the time to have a read through these in order to help your child both this year and beyond.

### Punctuality

Your child should be in school and **working** by 9.00 am. As their independence develops it is essential that they learn the importance of being punctual. If children arrive just before, or even after 9.00 am, by the time they have put everything away they have missed the Morning Work. Often our Morning Work is linked to that day's work and missing it can have a real impact on your child's learning. Similarly, we often try to hear children read from 8.45 – 9.00 am so it is vital that your child is in school. We cannot stress enough how important it is for your child to be punctual, as this will also instil good habits that they can transfer to Secondary School.

### Equipment

As part of the preparation for moving on, we expect all children to have the items listed below in school **at all times**. Please ensure that the children have the following:

- A fully equipped pencil case including their school handwriting pen
- Reading book and reading record / homework diary (supplied by school)
- Drinks bottle
- Healthy Snack
- Full indoor and outdoor PE kit
- Spelling book

Everything including school uniform must be clearly named.

### Uniform

As Year 6 children we expect them to set an example in all aspects of school life, including their appearance, so please ensure your child has the correct uniform for school. Children should have their PE kit in school **at all times** and this needs to be in a closable bag as their clothes are kept in lockers. If children do not have the correct PE kit then a letter will be sent home and it will be expected in for the next lesson.

### Multiplication Tables

It is extremely important that children know their times tables off by heart and out of order at speed as this feeds directly into their arithmetic test at the end of the year. Please could you support your children with regular times table practice to ensure that they have this key skill.

### SATs

Towards the end of Year 6 the children will sit their SATs. These are national tests that all Year 6 children participate in to give schools and the Government a snapshot of attainment at this stage in a child's education. The children are tested on their Maths: mental and written, Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation, Writing, Reading and Science. The children will practise sitting tests through the year and more information on the tests will be made available at the Information Evening.

### Homework Diary

This term it is very important for your child to continue to use their Homework Diary. SATs preparation will continue and we will begin to support your child with revision. We will talk more about this at our SATs Information Evening to inform you of how you can support your child at home. Please continue to help them to use these diaries as it is excellent practice for the following September. These diaries are another means of communication with the class teacher for yourselves so feel free to leave comments in the weekly page if you need to pass a message on to them.

### Skills

On the previous page you will see the National Curriculum skills that we will be covering in each of the curriculum areas. If you have any questions concerning this format or any other aspects of the term ahead then please ask the Year 6 team.

### Important Dates

- **SATs Information evening:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm.

As usual, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and ask any of the team.

We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas holiday and we thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

The Year 6 Team