



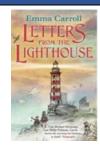
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Year 6 Spring 1 Curriculum Overview

Key learning this half term

Literacy

This half term, we will be continuing with our class text of 'Letters from the Lighthouse.' Through studying the characters, we will have more of an understanding of what life was like for children during WWII. Children will complete a variety of tasks based on the book, covering reading and writing and grammar objectives.



SHACKLETON'S JOJENEY

In the second half of the term, we will be reading the text 'Shackleton's Journey'. This links to our Geography topic of the Polar regions.

We will learn about famous polar explorers and the amazing feats of

endurance involved in their ground-breaking expeditions.

For spelling, we will continue to work on the year 5/6 spelling words, learning a rule each week. Children can practise their spellings by playing games on Spelling Shed. They have a user name and password in their planners.

All pupils are expected to read at home every day. The minimum expectation is 20 minutes per day.



This half term we will continue our learning of fractions and the four operations. We will also have a geometry focus that will involve describing positions of various shapes on co-ordinate grids and learning how to translate and reflect them.

At the end of the half term, we will learn about ratio and algebra.

We will be continuing to complete a weekly arithmetic to consolidate our mental strategies and formal written methods for the four operations.

We recap maths learning in morning work through My Mini Maths activities or Basic Skills. This allows children to revisit previous learning and consolidate essential skills.

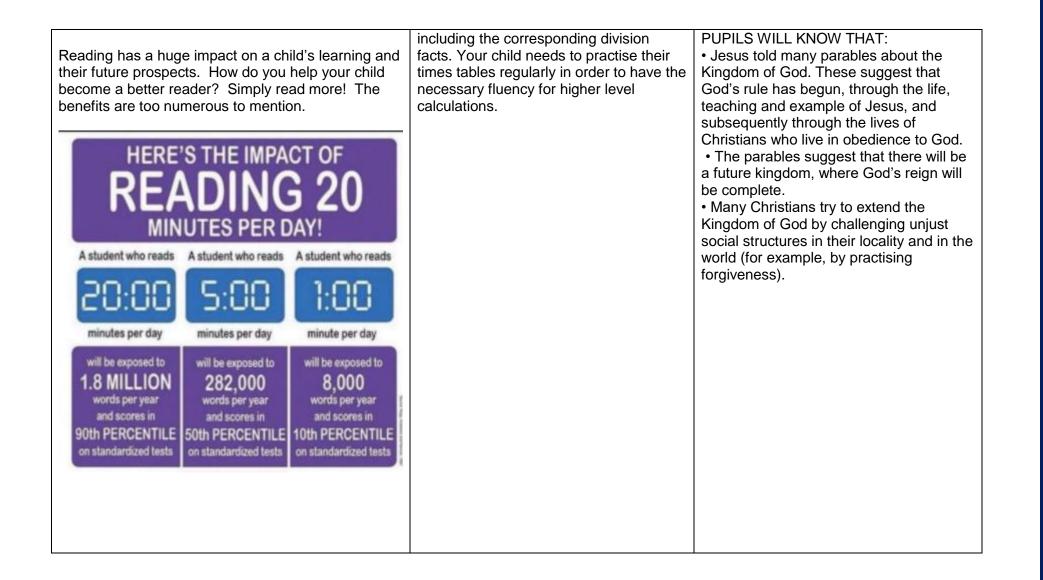
Pupils have passwords and logins for TT Rockstars, a helpful online tool to learn and practise times tables. By the end of Year 4, all pupils should know their times tables up to 12 x 12 off by heart,

Religious Education

In the Spring term, we will be looking at the topic Kingdom of God 'What sort of king was Jesus?'

Children will learn to:

- Explain connections between biblical texts and the concept of the Kingdom of God. Consider different possible meanings for the biblical texts studied. showing awareness of different interpretations.
- Make clear connections between belief in the Kingdom of God and how Christians put their beliefs into practice in different ways, including in worship and in service to the community.
- Relate Christian teachings or beliefs about God's Kingdom to the issues, problems and opportunities of their own lives and the life of their own community in the world today, offering insights about whether or not the world could or should learn from Christian ideas







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We are also studying:

Science	Geography	PSHE	French	Art
 This term, we will learn about classification and how living things are categorised based on their characteristics. We will learn about the scientist Carl Linneus and his system for classifying living things. PUPILS WILL KNOW: How to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics How to give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics 	 We will be learning about the polar regions and looking at the physical and human geography of the area. We will be analysing scientific discoveries and discussing how these extreme environments have changed over time as a result of climate change and what this means for our planet. PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT: The earth is divided by lines of longitude and latitude The similarities and differences of the polar regions through the study of human and physical geography The environments 	We will be learning about Dreams and Goals. This includes learning about how to stay motivated when facing a challenge, working with a partner or group and having a positive attitude. Pupils will also learn about how to help others achieve their goals and learn how to work towards their own dreams and goals.	Pupils will learn how to say more about where they and others live, practising the key structure 'c'est' and 'ce n'est pas'. They will learn the vocabulary for places in a town, and how to build sentences saying what there is (il y a) and what there is (il y a) and what there is not (Il n'y a pas de). They will develop their dictionary and memory skills, learning a French poem about Paris and creating their own version. Pupils will learn about some key French festivals and extend their use of '- ER' regular verbs in the present tense.	 We will be learning about the artist Paul Klee as we look at Colour Theory ad learn painting skills. PUPILS WILL LEARN: To develop their techniques To improve their mastery of painting skills About great artists in history

	have changed over time	 PUPILS WILL: Know their learning strengths and set realistic goals Understand how to motivate themselves to achieve their goals Know how to identify problems and speak to others about them Work with others to help make the world a better place Describe some ways which they can help other people make the world a better place Know what some people in their class like or admire about them and accept their praise 		
PE	ICT	British Values	Christian Value	Key vocabulary
We will be learning social skills for team games and cognitive skills during Real PE.	We will be completing the unit 'We are Market Researchers', learning how to make questionnaires and create charts and graphs to show the data collected. Pupils will also be given the chance to work on their computer fluency in	During whole school worship, we will be focusing on Individual Liberty. We will be thinking about what liberties we have in this country and how this can differ throughout the world.	We will be thinking about Peace. We will learn about the meaning of peace and will link this with our learning in PSHE.	Your child will be learning these key words over the next half term: longitude latitude hemispheres polar regions classification parable liberty expedition





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other subjects, using		explorer
programmes such as Microsoft Word and Excel		
to present their work.		