

English

This term, we will be reading 'Pig Heart Boy' by Malorie Blackman.

In our English cycles, we'll be writing a range of texts. These include a discussion text, writing the opposing views on Camp Green Lake, from Holes. We'll also write an explanation text linked with our science topic. We have learned about the circulatory system in science and in reading lessons, so this is the perfect chance to demonstrate our knowledge. .



History

This term, our local history study will continue, focusing on how an aspect of national history is reflected in our locality - **the focus will be on our mining heritage.**

SMSC

This half term, we will cover many important themes:

- Debate: who should win the election?
- Should I appreciate who I am?
- What does a job in Science look like?
 - How can I deal with failure?
- What is the 'Respect the Water Campaign'?
- Should I always keep my friend's secret?

Maths

Now that SATs are over, we will be working on completing many challenging problems to ensure that we keep retrieving all of the knowledge we have gained this year.

There will be some real-life maths tasks too. This will help us in the real world and as well as preparing us for secondary school.



RE

This half term, our unit is 'For Christians, what kind of king was Jesus?'

Within this topic, we will 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; relate the Christian 'kingdom of God' model - e.g. loving others, serving the needy etc. - to issues, problems and opportunities in the world today; and articulate own responses to the idea of the importance of love and service in the world today.

PE

This half term in PE, we will learning about cricket. We're planning on visiting Eppleton Cricket Club and learning the skills of cricket as well as playing some matches. Also, we'll be practising the games and races for sports day.

French

In this half term's French lessons, our theme is At the seaside. We'll learn to say some persuasive sentences and facts about the seaside.



DT

Electrical Systems - Steady Hand Game

We will be using our scientific knowledge of circuits to design, make and evaluate a steady hand game. We will investigate ideas and work in groups.

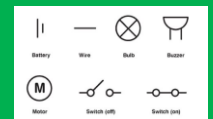
Computing

As part of our computer science unit of coding, we will learn to use conditional sentences (when/then) to program objects (on computer programmes for coding, such as Kodu & Scratch); we will also do this using mathematical expressions when constructing conditionals - e.g. trigger winning when (If loops >5 then...); and we will be able to explain what a program might do and accurately predict the effect of change. We will use Microbits to complete this unit.

Science

Our Science topic this term is electricity. We'll learn about circuits and the symbols used to represent the components of the circuit. We'll be able to use our scientific vocabulary to explain how some components change such as the brightness of bulbs.

We'll be using science to explain our ideas as well as making hypotheses about scientific ideas.



PE

Year 6 will have PE every Tuesday afternoon.



All pupils must have appropriate kit ready for PE lessons, which they can come to school in on their PE day. If your child is unfit for PE, please Dojo message the class teacher on or before the day.

Indoor Kit — Black plain shorts, plain blue t-shirt, trainers/plimsolls.

Outdoor Kit — Black tracksuit, plain blue t-shirt, outdoor trainers.

Information about visits to Eppleton Cricket Club to follow - likely to be a Friday as an additional PE lesson.

YEAR 6

SATs

Now that SATs are over, the children will be working on improving writing. Writing isn't assessed formally in SATs - just SPAG. However, this does help support children's writing quality. We assess the children's books throughout the year.

High attendance goes hand in hand with success in writing as well as across the curriculum.

Information regarding SATs results will come nearer the time - in July.



Year 6 events

There will be dates coming soon regarding Y6 events in school.

As you may have seen on Class Dojo, we do have some exciting events planned for the last half term of Y6: trip to Beamish, camping over night, Colour Run and Cricket competitions.

We have spoken to, and will be reminding, the children about achieving a certain amount of dojos in order to attend some of these events. We do want ALL children to attend these fun activities, but behavior and attitude need to be great. I will share these targets on Class Dojo as and when. We do appreciate your support with this.