

ENGLISH

Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief

During Spring 1, Year 6 will be reading the story '*Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief*' by Rick Riordan. We will use the book to inspire our writing and will be creating our own versions of the story. We will explore a range of writing devices such as parenthesis, 'show not tell' sentences and will be creating imagery within our writing. In Reading, we will be exploring a range of fiction and non-fiction texts and will be focusing on comprehension skills such as retrieval, inference and summarising.

PSHE

Dreams and Goals

In PSHE, we will be looking at our dreams, goals and aspirations and will look at how to achieve these. We will also be exploring the emotions that are involved, when thinking about our goals and will link it to our school value of resilience.

Design & Technology

Bird House Builders

This term the children will have an exciting opportunity to research and design their own bird house for a specific type of bird, considering different bird behaviour and different features of a bird house. We will then learn woodwork skills and about safety precautions to build our own bird houses.

MATHS

As Year 6 progress through Spring 1, we will begin to focus on applying our arithmetic knowledge to a range of problem-solving activities. We will continue to develop our testing skills and will discuss approaches to worded problems involving all four operations. We will be exploring how fractions, decimals and percentages are connected and will be exploring how to interpret and analyse data.

Through reasoning, children will express their understanding in different contexts to ensure they have a deep understanding of the range of skills that they will need to apply during their SATS tests later this year.

RE

People of God

This half term we will explore connections between the story of Moses and the concepts of freedom and salvation, using theological terms. We will make clear connections between Bible texts and what Christians believe about being the People of God and how they should behave.



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COMPUTING

We are Publishers

In this unit, the children will produce a class yearbook or school magazine using desktop publishing tools. They will source, write, edit and combine images and text from a range of sources.

HISTORY

What did the Greeks do for us?

Our history topic this term is the Ancient Greeks. We will explore why the Ancient Greek empire became so important and how modern-day Greece and Ancient Greece compares. We will think like historians and continue to develop our understanding of chronology, construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant historical information.

MUSIC

Jazz

In the spring term, Year 6 will be learning about Jazz music. We will be looking at the range of instruments that are used to create jazz music and will study different artists and their music.



SCIENCE

Evolution and Inheritance

This term, the children will learn about evolution and inheritance. We will study how animals adapt to their environment, how we inherit genes and characteristics from our parents and will learn all about the vital work of Charles Darwin.

INFORMATION

Year 6 will continue to have PE on a **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Children can continue to come in to school in their kits on these days. Please ensure that children are in their full PE kit and jewellery is removed.

Reading books will be changed regularly so please make sure that your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day.