

# Keston Primary School and Nursery

## Curriculum Information



### YEAR SIX AUTUMN 2018

#### General Information.

*The Year 6 Team:*

#### Dickens class

Class teacher: Mr Turner. Teaching Assistant: Mrs Page

#### Shakespeare class

Class teachers: Mrs Parker and Mrs Eason. Teaching Assistant: Mrs Dorset

All the Year six work is planned across the year group for continuity and progression. Below is an overview of what year six will be learning about during the Autumn term:

#### **English**

We will be studying and evaluating two different books, Kensuke's Kingdom and Macbeth. We will be concentrating on a variety of different genres such as letter writing, diary writing, writing in role, newspaper articles and writing descriptions of characters and settings.

We will also be concentrating on spelling, punctuation and grammar. This term we will be focussing on: different sentence types; adverbs and verbs; noun types; commas; speech marks, ellipses, prepositions and the use of different connectives. Spelling will be taught weekly and children will be learning various spelling patterns.

#### **Mathematics**

During the first half of the Autumn term we will be focusing on place value, rounding, addition, subtraction, multiplication (including factors and Prime Numbers) and division. In the second half of the term we will look at money, decimals, fractions, ratio and proportions. There will be a high focus on reasoning where children will need to apply their knowledge in different ways.

**Explore and Discover** – to include science, humanities, music, art and DT.

**Computing:** We will be researching and evaluating various apps in preparation to create our own later on in the year.

**Explore and Discover:** We will be linking several subjects together under the title of Explore and Discover. Our topic for this half term is The Ancient Mayas. This topic will include our Art, DT and Geography and will also look at the way the Maya's lived everyday life.

**Science:** We will extend the children's knowledge of electricity and forces.

Mrs Wood will be teaching both classes music which will be linked to the curriculum where appropriate. For more information please see the curriculum overview on the school website.

#### **RE**

We will be studying Christianity including peace, worship and Christmas.

## PE

We will be focusing on teaching the children how to be an effective young leader. This includes leading other groups of children in the school in activities at lunch time.

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> the children will have the opportunity to try out for the school football and Netball teams. This will be during the school day and all they need is their regular PE kit.

This year we are introducing the Keston Kilometre. This aims to get children outdoors being active every day of the school week. On those days that the children do not have PE or Swimming they will go to the new running track with their class teacher and run, jog or walk for 15 minutes. In Year 6 this will be on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The track is an all-weather track and the children do not need trainers or plimsolls to run on it.

## How to help your child

Children in Year 6 are expected to read at least 3 times a week to an adult. If they do this 10 times in a term they will become a bronze, silver or gold red hot reader.

Times tables will be taught through a variety of methods, including maths stars. Practising at home will help the children in learning their times tables, which are a vital part of the curriculum.

Homework:

Children will be given mathematics and English – this will alternate between grammar and comprehension - on a Thursday. This will be due in on the following Tuesday. The homework will be related to something they have learnt or are going to learn at school. There is a homework club run by Mrs Stevens during Monday lunchtimes where children can go for extra support and guidance. In order for children to fully benefit from this club they will need to have looked at and attempted their homework beforehand.

New spellings will also go out every Thursday, these should be learnt in preparation for the weekly spelling test which is on Wednesdays. The spellings will be based on the spelling pattern learnt that week in school and key curriculum words. Please encourage your child to practice their pattern/key words in different ways; there are lots of ideas on the internet. The children's progress will be monitored by a weekly assessment.

From time to time children will be given additional tasks to complete at home.

Useful websites:

**Explore and Discover:**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/zsdrqty>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/the-mayans>

**English:**

Grammar: <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=47>

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling\\_grammar/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/)

Practise writing using some of the templates on Purple Mash: <http://www.purplemash.com/site#tab/themes/literacy>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/zv48q6f> some useful videos about various English topics

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic-group/sentence-grammar> some useful videos and games about grammar and punctuation

Lots of fun English games <http://www.topmarks.co.uk/Interactive.aspx?cat=46>

Maths:

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/)

[www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/](http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/)

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>