

CLASS 6 LEARNING OVERVIEW – AUTUMN 2018

English	Maths	Topic: CHARLES DICKENS	Other Curriculum Areas	What You Can Do To Help Your Child This Term
<p><u>Reading:</u> The children will obviously be reading some of the works of Charles Dickens this term, looking at various versions of his texts and different adaptations of his work, both written and film forms. Children will continue to develop their comprehension skills through detailed discussion of their reading, and there will be a clear focus on building inferences, reading between the lines of a text to help form meaning and opinions.</p> <p><u>Writing:</u> Using what they have learnt from their reading, children will be writing descriptions of cruel characters and sinister settings. They will work towards producing their own Victorian book from scratch.</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> It is important that the children use accurate and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar in their work as well as learning new rules and patterns for when various devices are used.</p>	<p>The children will spend much of the first half term focused on working on their number skills, looking at developing an appropriate method for all four operations in written and mental calculations.</p> <p>We will look at problem solving, reasoning and algebraic problems and the children will begin to familiarise themselves with the type of questions they're likely to face when being assessed.</p> <p>We will then move on to looking at geometry, shape, space and measure in the second half term; using various mathematical tools and instruments to work on problems with increasing accuracy.</p> <p>Finally, we will focus on fractions, decimals and percentages and rehearse to convert between them and use them when calculating.</p>	<p>The children will be looking at all things Victorian, focusing on the life and times of Charles Dickens.</p> <p><u>History</u> – The reign of Queen Victoria, Victorian life, school in Victorian times, work houses, the rich / poor divide and the Industrial Revolution.</p> <p><u>Geography</u> – How the landscape of the country changed because of industry and the difference between urban and rural lifestyles.</p> <p><u>Art</u> – Children will look at the work of William Morris and will produce their own printed and drawn patterns inspired by his work as well as charcoal drawings in the style of Lowry.</p> <p><u>DT</u> – The children will be making their own books, marbling the pages before binding and finishing them to make them look authentically Victorian. Children will also work on making models of a Victorian stately home.</p> <p><u>Music</u> – Victorian music hall and</p> <p><u>Computing</u> – We will be looking at programming applications and games based on an aspect of Victorian life. The children will also be using their ICT skills across the curriculum.</p>	<p><u>Science</u> – The main focus of the curriculum in our science lessons at the beginning will be looking at Darwin's work, inheritance and variation. The children will engage in both practical and theoretical lessons and conduct research and experiments on the topics we cover. We will then move on to looking at the circulatory system in humans and other animals.</p> <p><u>PE</u> – The children will have games and PE lessons throughout the term taught by myself and Mr North.</p> <p><u>RE</u> – The children will look at 2 units from the RE curriculum this term: Humanism and Buddhism.</p> <p><u>MFL</u> – Children will continue to develop their language in French this year; written, aural and oral skills.</p>	<p>As you are aware, the children will be sitting statutory assessments in May. Whilst these shouldn't cause too much stress and anxiety, it is important that the children are prepared and know what to expect.</p> <p>The children should practice and learn their times tables fully and develop their mental maths skills.</p> <p>Furthermore it is important that the children read each night and are regularly questioned on what they've read to help improve their comprehension.</p> <p>Finally, children should be encouraged to complete their homework fully and hand it in on time on a weekly basis. Similarly, when revision is set, it is important that the children are using the resources they're given to help them fully.</p> 

Advance Trip Notification

Please keep an eye out for letters detailing any upcoming trips for this term.

PE

PE will be on **Tuesday (with Mr North)** and **Friday** this term, please ensure full kits are in school each week.

Homework / Spellings

The children will have a menu with homework items to choose from. It is expected that one piece will be handed in weekly. Spellings tested weekly (Thursday).

As always, if anyone has any questions or queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Likewise if any parents feel they have an expertise knowledge or particular interest in any aspect of what we are covering I would love to hear from you.

MR LOLE