



Year 6 Newsletter – February 2025



Dear Parents,

I hope everybody had a lovely half term break and the children are ready for another busy term. This will be a key term for the children as it is the last full term before they take their SATs in May.

In **Maths**, the children will be concentrating on statistics, algebra and revision of the previous topics covered. They will have the opportunity to become more familiar with SATs style questions in preparation for the tests in May.

In **English**, we will be focusing on persuasive letter writing, a historical story based on Count Dracula and finally a flashback story based around the animation The Piano.

Our **History** focus this term will continue looking at **Slavery**. The children will be focusing on the key questions: Who benefitted from the slave trade? When was the slave trade abolished in Britain? And finally, looking at who Edward Colston was and why his statue was toppled in Bristol Harbour in 2020? The final part of the term will be the start of our topic on **World War Two**.



In **Science** this term, the children will be learning about electricity. During the term, the children will learn the main parts of a circuit and have lots of practical opportunities to make circuits, and solve investigation problems. We will also be taking part in British Science Week during the week of the 10th March.

Our **Computing** unit will focus on mastering algorithms – both creating and debugging to ensure they work as planned.

Our **Jigsaw** topic is **Healthy Me**. In this Puzzle the children discuss taking responsibility for their own physical and emotional health and the choices linked to this. We will talk about different types of drugs and the effects these can have on people's bodies. The class will discuss exploitation as well as gang culture and the associated risks. In addition, there will be

discussions about mental health / illness and that people have different attitudes towards this. They learn how to recognise the triggers for and feelings of being stressed and that there are strategies they can use when they are feeling stressed.

P.E:

The children have P.E on Wednesday and Thursdays this term. Children need to wear their school PE kits into school on these days. School PE kit is a white T-shirt, trainers, black shorts or joggers and a black or school sweatshirt.

Homework:

Just a reminder that children should be completing their homework each week. It is given out on Monday and needs to be returned the following Monday. Please continue to practise all times tables and introduce reading the time both digitally and using an analogue clock. Please ensure your child is reading regularly at home and they are recording in their reading record.

Key Dates

6th March - World Book Day
17th and 20th March – Parent Meetings
25th March – Road Safety Afternoon
27th March – Faith Day
2nd April – Easter Disco
4th April – INSET Day

Finally, if you have any questions or queries contact us via the school office.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Harriman