

Year 6 Newsletter Summer 1

Mrs Farmer, Mrs Gilroy and Ms Ward would like to say a warm welcome back to all of Year 6. We hope that you have had a restful but exciting break and are looking forward to the last two terms as the oldest in school! We have many exciting things coming up this term and next, including a couple of surprises!. Our curriculum is jam packed with amazing lessons and we cannot wait to get started.

LITERACY

This term will begin by looking at writing to inform as well as entertain. We will begin with recount writing – diaries and news reports – based on two books ‘My Secret War Diary’ by Marcia Williams and ‘Once’ by Morris Gleitzman. We will be focusing on how to vary our style of writing, for example, by using informal language in a diary but more formal language in a news report.

Afer that, we will look at historical fiction and how to include details to inform the reader about that time in history. We will consider also how to use the right type of language appropriate to that era.

Key vocabulary:

Anachronism	Recount
News report	Diary
Historical fiction	Inform
Entertain	Formal/informal language

Mathematics

This half term, we will begin by recapping the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and revise the associated methods that can be used to carry out these efficiently. We will then move on to look at statistics and properties of shape.

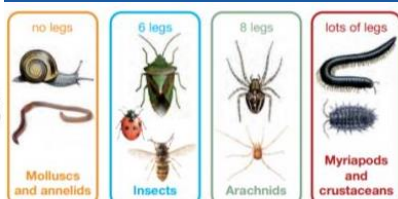
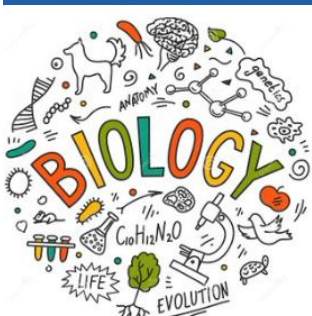
Key vocabulary: addition, subtraction, multiplication, bar charts, pie charts, sides, vertices, edges, faces

Freckle: your child will be set weekly tasks on Freckle. We also encourage pupils to access TT Rockstars. Log ins for these should be in your child’s planner - let us know if you need them.



SCIENCE

Our topic for Science, this half term, will be Living Things and their Habitats. By the end of the term, we will be able to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals. We will also be able to give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.



Other Curriculum Areas



History – This term, our unit is Migration. We will be looking at what migration is, why people migrate and hoe migration effects the world. We will be building on previous History knowledge and skills w

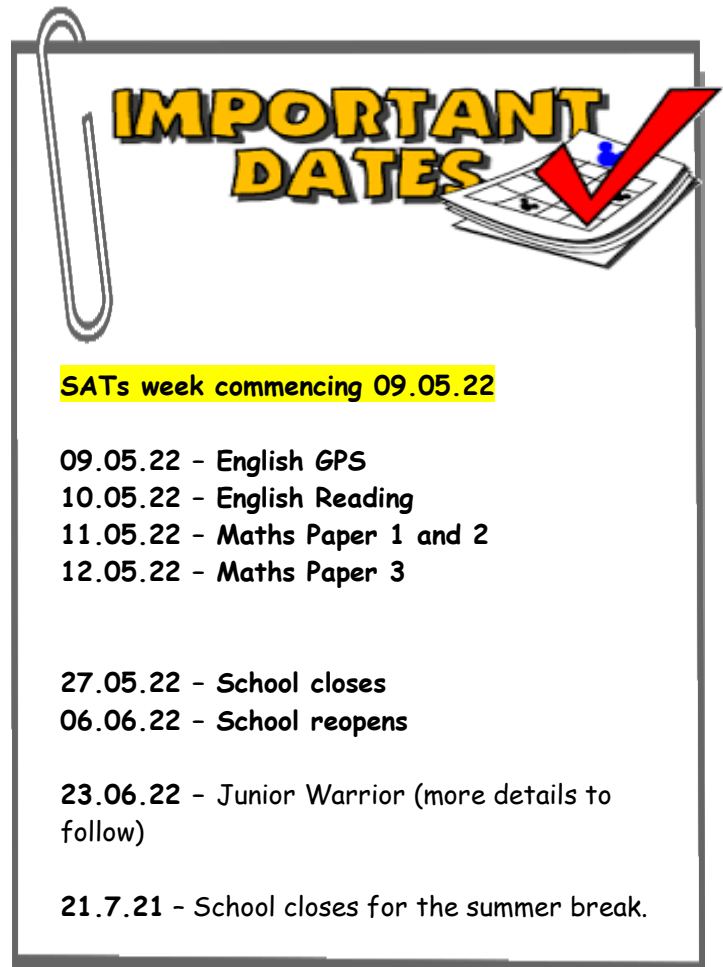
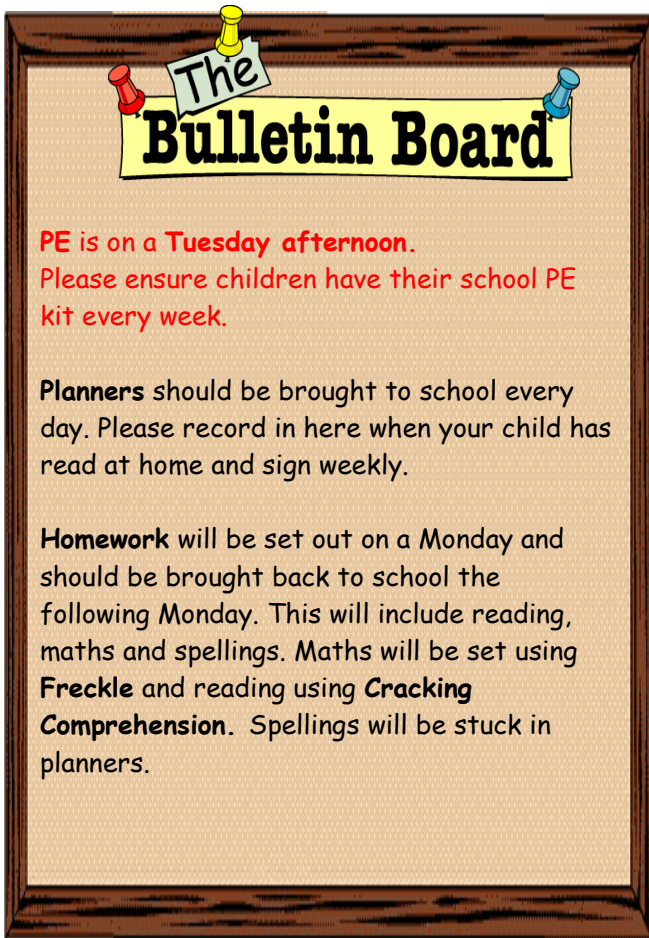
PE – This term, we will be developing our skills in basketball. Please remember to send your child with their PE kit every Tuesday.

PSHE – In PSHE, we will be working on our revision skills and wellbeing during the lead up to SATs.

Computing – In Computing, we will be creating an advert, using skills from previous sessions as well as our English lessons.

Religious Education – In RE, we will be thinking about the question ‘Why do some people believe in God and some people not.’ We will learn how different people have different perspectives on God.

Art – In art, we will be building on our portrait drawing, thinking carefully about drawing facial features in the right places.



Uniform - Thank you for ensuring your child has the correct school uniform - they look very smart. Thank you also for your support in ensuring that make up, jewellery, fake tan and nail varnish is not worn for school. Small ear studs are permitted. As a reminder, dyed hair and tramline hairstyles are not permitted.

Reading - KS2 pupils will be bring home books from the school library that lie within their Accelerated Reader ZPD range (which they should have written in their planner). When pupils have finished their books, they are encouraged to take an Accelerated Reader quiz on the book they have read.