All Saints CE School, Bishop's Stortford

Year 6

CORE SUBJECTS

Maths

We will be focussing on a wide range of Maths units this term, including place value and calculation, rounding and dividing as well as statistics and converting units of measure.

If you want to support your children at home with mathematics, you can talk to them about numbers around the home. Perhaps when you go shopping, give them problems to solve, get them to read scales when cooking and read timetables. This will really help them when they are doing their SATs or any other future assessments.

Children in Year 6 will be expected to have rapid recall of the 2 times to 12 times multiplication tables and you can help them learn these by encouraging use of the Times Tables Rock Stars website/app :

https://ttrockstars.com/

English

In English this term we will be revising different types of text and looking at the key features of these texts.

These genres will include formal writing, figurative language and writing narrative for atmospheric effect. We will also be writing narratives inspired by a range of authors and texts as well as work based on our topic of the Tudors.

We will also be reading a wide range of texts and I cannot recommend too strongly to encourage your child to read as wide a range of texts at home as possible. Remember this does not always have to be books. Newspapers, magazines, adverts, leaflets and internet/digital sources are just as valid sources of reading material.

As we delve deeper into improving our knowledge and use of grammar we will make use of activities on Spag.com...a great resource for use both at home and in school.

Science

Our science topics this term are 'Living things and their habitats' and 'Electricity'. Over the course of our 'Living things and their habitats topic we will be exploring what makes something living, groups of living things and how to classify living things. We will focus of the Carl Linnaeus' work on classification.

During our 'Electricity' topic we will be creating and drawing circuits. Following this learning we will conduct an investigation into how change in voltage impacts the rest of the circuit.

Computing

Year 6 are going to be using the computers and i-pads on a regular basis this term to support and enhance work across the curriculum

This term our main computing focus is based on the topic 'We are advertisers' .

We will be using ICT resources to plan, film and edit an advert. This will help develop computing, acting and directing skills.

We will also be looking at how to keep ourselves safe online.

This term we will be using the computers and I pads across the curriculum subjects such as Art, DT and History.

FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

History

Our main topic this term is the Tudors. We will be focussing on key events and figures of the era and use historical enquiry skills to answer questions such as 'Was Henry VIII really as mean as they say?' After all All Saints wouldn't be a C of E school without him! We will investigate the Reformation period and find out what life was like in Tudor times.

R.E.

This term's RE focusses on 'Creation'. We will be finding out about Christian beliefs about creation and compare with scientific ideas and asking if these are conflicting or complementary beliefs. We will also be looking at the wonders of creation and our responsibilities as custodians of our planet. As Christmas approaches we will also be studying the concept of 'Incarnation' and reflecting on the life of Jesus, how it is relevant to us today as well as asking 'Was Jesus the Messiah'?

MUSIC

This term Mrs we will be using our Charanga scheme in school and a unit called 'Three little birds'. The children will be listening to and appraising a range of pieces before moving on to composing, rehears ing and performing their own pieces of music in class.

We will also be delving into the world of Jazz music.

As Christmas approaches the theme will turn towards Christmas songs old and new and Year 6 will be taking on lead roles in carol services both in and out of school.

Art

In this term's art unit our main focus will be on creating phot realistic images. This will start with exploration of photos and end with us creating our own photo like portrait.

In DT we will be creating a digital navigation tool. Focussing on designing, evaluating and promoting our tool.

