

This half-term, we are learning...

Curriculum Area	Areas to be taught in school	Possible activities to be done at home
English	The children will read the story, 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' and will write a diary entry with the purpose to entertain, writing in a similar style to Tom Gates. They will also be writing a story to entertain that has similar characters to 'The Boy at the Back of the Class.' They will focus on using a wide range of clauses and integrating speech into their writing.	Continue to give your child opportunities to read at home every night – remember the more you read, the more ticks on their passport!
Maths	Over the half-term, we will be looking at place value, multiplication and division and completing problem-solving questions. We will also be learning how to use fractions within these calculations as well as exploring the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.	Encourage your child to: Practise counting in tenths, hundredths and thousandths; Make a place value grid and use it to help practise x and ÷ 10, 100 and 1000; Research some items which are on sale. What % are they reduced by?
Science - Biology	In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. The children will develop their understanding of classification keys, similarities and differences of microorganisms, plants and animals.	Encourage your child to use the internet to research living things in their habitats. What makes them suitable to live in their habitat? How are they similar or different to other living things?
History	We will be looking at the ancient Maya civilisation, learning who the ancient Maya people were, and where and when they lived. We will be finding out about the religious beliefs and rituals of the ancient Maya people, as well as about some important events during this period in history.	We will be looking at key people in relation to the Maya civilisation. Together, find out what you can about either Frederick Catherwood or John Lloyd Stephens.
Computing	The children will design and create their own text-based adventure games, including using a timer and score. They will also work on debugging errors in codes and creating programmes using multiple functions. They will explore how to stay safe online and about their digital footprints.	Create a text-based adventure game linked to our topic.
RE	What can we find out about the 5 Pillars? Children will be learning about the customs of Islam and life as a modern Muslim.	Encourage conversations at home about the subject. Discuss the importance of respecting the beliefs of others.

Year Group: 6

Class Teachers: Mr Carass & Mr McGolpin

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<p>PE</p>	<p>This half-term, our PE topic is exercise and basketball. We will focus on developing the children's handling and passing skills, as well as how to maintain a healthy diet. We will learn some passing strategies and how to defend as a team.</p>	<p>Make sure your child wears their PE kit to school every Tuesday so that they can fully participate in all PE activities.</p>
<p>Music</p>	<p>This half-term, we will be celebrating a wide range of musical styles and the children will learn how music can be used as a way to bring people together. We will do this by listening, singing, composing and performing music.</p>	<p>Listen to music at home. Encourage your child to talk about how it makes them feel and what they like and dislike about songs and music.</p>
<p>Art</p> 	<p>We will explore the work of the American pop artist, Keith Haring. The children will learn about how he creates a sense of movement in his work & create their own drawings of dancing people in a similar style.</p>	<p>Using Haring's style, you could create a picture of someone doing a different movement.</p>
<p>French</p>	<p>During this half-term, Year 6 will be learning how to describe themselves and their friends. We will focus on describing height, eye colour, hair colour and style both in spoken and written form.</p>	<p>Your child could use the vocabulary they have learned at school to describe family members and friends.</p>
<p>PSHE</p>	<p>The children will learn about people who look after their mental health, physical health, their wellbeing and who to go to if they feel like they need support. They will also be learning how to manage their time online and how to keep safe.</p>	<p>Talk with the children at home about their emotions. Remind them who they can speak to if they are worried about something. They could practise yoga and meditation to help clear their minds. Make sure that you all understand how to stay safe online.</p>