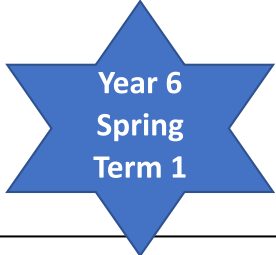


<p>Each half term we will send a newsletter detailing what we will be covering in the curriculum and any other important information. If you would like further details, please speak to your child's class teacher.</p>	<p><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p>Assembly for parents: Thursday 18th January. SATs Information Evening: Thursday 18th January. Please read the weekly newsletter for updates!</p>	<p><u>Topic (History)</u></p> <p>Our topic this half term is the Mayans. We will be learning all about this ancient civilisation and everything that the modern world has learnt from them. Children will see a virtual tour of a Mayan civilisation and see what life was like!</p>
<p><u>PE</u></p> <p>Children need to come into school wearing their school PE kit on a Friday. We will be looking at gym and athletics, including lots of techniques using floor mats in the hall. This will include different types of balances.</p>	<p><u>Music</u></p> <p>Music will be taught by Mrs Gray this half term on Tuesday afternoons. This term, they will be learning all about disco music.</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>We will be learning about Evolution and the theories created by Charles Darwin. Children will participate in experiments to learn about adaptation and understand how living things adapt over time.</p>
<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>We will use Purple Mash to look at blogging and our digital footprint. The children will create their very own blog all about a trip to a historical building.</p>	 <p>Year 6 Spring Term 1</p>	
<p><u>French</u></p> <p>During this half term the children will be learning more our world in their unit, Notre monde.</p>	<p><u>Jigsaw</u></p> <p>Our Jigsaw topic this term is Dreams and Goals, where we will be learning about how to structure our own goals and how these can help us to aim for and achieve our dreams.</p>	<p><u>English</u></p> <p>Writing: This half term, we will write a travel blog post before moving onto a thrilling story called 'The Graveyard Book.' We will write our own chapter of the story. Reading: We are continuing to read Risks and Thrills, a book which includes a selection of fiction, non-fiction and poetry.</p>
<p><u>Maths</u></p> <p>This half term, we will be covering measurement, area, perimeter and volume before moving onto graphs. We will continue to practise our arithmetic, covering fractions, percentages and four operations.</p>	<p><u>Religious Education</u></p> <p>Our topic this term is 'Living a Faith,' in which children will study ways that people identify themselves through various religious and non-religious perspectives and how these relate to each other.</p>	<p><u>Art</u></p> <p>Our unit this term is called Making My Voice Heard, in which the children will learn about how artists express their personalities using art.</p>

Children are expected to read at home everyday for 15 minutes and they may also access Reading Plus as part of this. Reading is a crucial part of the children's learning and readiness for secondary school. They are expected to read at least 110 words per minute during their SATs tests, so we need to ensure that they are prepared to read at this speed through regular practice.