CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN ONE
YEAR SIX

What we will be learning this term:

Maths

We have started off the term focussing on number and place value. Children will use increasingly bigger numbers, up to 10,000,000, learning how to round, estimate, compare and solve problems.

We will also revisit skills within addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and use bigger numbers within calculations, including long multiplication.

After this, we will focus on fractions, decimals and percentages.

English

In English this term, we have started our writing unit by studying the novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. Children will explore the characters and practise writing descriptively, as well as learning to write for a purpose.

Already, the book has engaged the children and encouraged them to think more analytically about the author's intent and writing choices. We will be deciphering the underlying morals and messages of the story, while becoming immersed in drama.

Science

This term in Science our focus is on Electricity. We will be learning about how to make successful circuits, linking into our DT project. We will investigate the effect of voltage and what effects the output of a circuit. We will also be studying influential scientists and the impact of their discoveries.

What have we learnt from the Maya?

We have kicked off the term in Year 6 by researching and finding out about the Maya people; an ancient and sophisticated civilisation that inhabited parts of Mexico and Central America. They are significant in history for their achievements in Art, Architecture, Maths, Writing and Astronomy. We have already designed our own Maya masks and researched the different Gods.

What you can do to help at home:

It is your child's last year in primary school this year! Alongside all their learning, children will be completeing their SATS in May. These are compulsory assessments, which will test the children's knowledge in Maths, English and Reading.

To help your child feel prepared and confident, please continue to read 3x a week with them, practise spellings and help them to complete their homework.

Reminders

This term, Year 6 will be doing swimming lessons at Corby Pool on Wednesday afternoons. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit with them this day, including a towel, appropriate swimwear and a swimming cap.

Outdoor learning will be on Friday afternoons, so please also ensure your child comes in appropriate footwear and warm clothing.

Upcoming events:

Thursday 1st October - Individual Photos
Tuesday 6th October - Number Day
Monday 12th October - Spanish Day
Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th October - Parents Evening
Tuesday 20th October - Y6 trip to Bletchley Park

Contacting Mrs Kaye

Please remember that if you have any concerns or questions that may arise throughout the term, I will be available to talk on the classroom door during morning and afternoon collection. Alternatively, please contact the school office and I will contact you back when possible.