

Topic:

The Y6 topic this term is a History topic - *The Great War*. We have decided to focus on World War 1 to tie in with the centenary of WW1 (1914-1918).

This will also be used as a focus for other curriculum areas such as Art, ICT, English, Religious Education, Spanish, Drama and Music. We will be aiming to teach the children a wide range of skills as well as some key facts.

On Thursday 26th January, we will be setting the next extended homework project. The focus will be the First World War and children will receive a worksheet which will explain the task. The deadline for the project is Tuesday 21st February.

English:

This term, our class novel will be *War Horse* by Michael Morpurgo and for the first few weeks, writing tasks will be based around the novel. We will also be looking at poetry, propaganda, journalism and biography. As well as this, we will continue to develop the children's reading comprehension skills. As we approach the end of term, we will provide the children with the practice necessary to prepare them for their SATs tests in May. Friday's English lesson will continue to focus on spelling, punctuation, grammar and sentence level work in preparation for the spelling, punctuation and grammar test.



Maths:

The main topics we will be covering this term are measure, area and perimeter, time, ratio and proportion. As with English, we will spend some time preparing the children for their SATs tests by practising a range of test-style questions and by giving them practice papers to complete. There will also be a strong emphasis on worded problems and times tables this term.



Science:

In Science, Y6 will be finishing their topic on keeping healthy, then moving on to light and sound. Children will be taught a variety of skills as well as key facts.

Spanish:

This term, children will learn the names of continents and countries and names of items of clothing in Spanish. This learning will be linked to our topic *The Great War*. They will also learn how to tell the time and continue to practise numbers up to 100.

Games and P.E.

In term 3, the focus for Thursday games lessons will be netball, followed by rounders and softball in term 4. On Wednesday afternoons, children will play handball during indoor PE lessons. Indoor PE kits and outdoor games kits should be in school every day.

Hanham library WW1 exhibition

Hanham Library have kindly invited Y6 children to see their World War 1 exhibition and attend sessions where they will have some props and resources for the children to look at.

Lifeskills: Y6 will also be visiting the Create Centre to take part in the 'Life Skills' workshops this month.

Remember that you can now pay for school trips and activities using our new online payment system - Teachers2parents

Key dates:

Y6 visits to Hanham Library:	Monday 23 rd January 6W (1pm) & 6B 2pm; Tuesday 24 th January 6C (1pm)
Lifeskills trips:	Monday 23 rd January 6C; Wednesday 25 th January 6W; Friday 27 th January 6B
SATs meeting for parents:	Friday 3 rd February (school hall, 2:30pm)
Extended project deadline:	Tuesday 21 st February 2017
Bag packing for fundraising at Asda:	Saturday 4 th March 2017 (letters to follow)
Parents' evenings	Tuesday 14 th & Thursday 16 th March
Y6 sponsored events:	w/b 20 th March 2017
WW1 sharing event:	Wednesday 29 th March 2017 (school hall, 2:30pm)
SATs week:	w/b 8 th May 2017