

MRS PORTER

Year 6 Class Newsletter

Summer term two

Here is an update on the curriculum for Year 6 during this term:

Following our updated curriculum, We will shortly be beginning our new focus question: Have past invasions impacted our local area?

Our focus questions help us to accumulate knowledge over the course of this academic year to be able to answer our big questions:

Do invasions change countries forever?

In history, the children will gain an understanding of how the local area has developed over time. They will learn to appreciate significant events in history, which have helped shape the country we have today, and they will seek out and analyse a wide range of evidence in order to justify claims about the past.

As geographers, the children will deepen their understanding of key aspects of human geography to understand how environmental features influence settlement location choices, and they will locate areas of the country influenced by past societies. When locating places, they will be able to use four and six figure grid references, symbols and keys.

As artists, the children will be exploring water colours to create an image of our local area. They will begin by evaluating various watercolours, selecting pieces and styles of interests. Next, they will adopt and develop new skills with this medium, including wet on wet, bleeding, dry brush and graded wash. The children will then go out into the local area and take pictures of landscapes and scenes of interest. Using their taken photographs, the children will re-create the scene with watercolours.

Y5/6 Production

Rehearsals are well underway for our production of *Treachery At Traitors' Quay*.

Set in World War II, London isn't safe. The five Dawson children are evacuated to the coast to stay at the large home of Eggin-Drake, Minister of Information. They're thrown in amongst all sorts of characters - from the dishevelled Home Guard and air-raid wardens to the surly gamekeeper and the retired sea captain. It soon becomes apparent to the children that there is a spy in their midst. Determined to investigate, they head down to the Quay and snoop around the smugglers' caves. But who is the spy? Can their plan be foiled before it's too late? And just what IS the strange secret about the JAM?

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that it is the final half-term of this academic year at school, and the last one for your children at primary school! This year has gone by so fast.

I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching your wonderful children, and we promise we are busy behind the scenes organising some special events to help mark your children's leaving experience. Details for these will be announced shortly.

This newsletter will inform you of our curriculum for this final half-term.

Mrs Porter

Summer term P.E

Year 6 will continue to swim on a Friday morning. Please ensure that your child has a swimming costume and towel on this day.

As we are now doing swimming as one of our PE sessions, children will only need to continue to wear PE kit on a Wednesday for our session with Elite Sports.

SATs Week

As you are aware, the Year 6 children have taken their SATs tests. I just wanted to say how proud I am of the children for the way they composed themselves during this week. They faced every assessment which came their way with 100% effort and followed the rules for test conditions excellently.

I can't wait to find out how the children have done, and to be able to share this information with you when their reports come out.