Computing

This half term we will focus our learning on:
Research and Presentation

Children will learn about the importance of research. They will develop the necessary skills to transfer their findings into a presentation.

Children will also be taught online safety in order to participate safely in the online community including when sourcing images for their projects.

Religious Education

This half term our focus is:

Christianity

Year 6 will learn about the relevance of eternal life in relation to a variety of religions. Pupils will evaluate the different beliefs of eternity and will compare similarities and difference to the perspective of Christians.

Our key question for this half term will be:

Is anything ever eternal?

Reading

As readers, children take part in daily extended reading lessons, four times a week, based on a reading approach called Destination Reader. https://www.hackneyservicesforschools.co.uk/product/destination-reader-school The main focus of the approach is teaching the key reading strategies which support comprehension and dialogue, through quality texts. We also aim to foster a lifelong love of reading by encouraging our children to read as much and as often as possible.

At the end of each day, the teacher reads a quality text to the children to ensure that they are hearing rich vocabulary daily.

All children are encouraged to read every night for 20 minutes and to record this in their Home Reading Journals which must be signed by a parent/carer.

Spelling & Home Learning

You will receive a **Home Learning Passport** detailing projects and questions for you and your child to complete at home. All homework is carefully chosen to link closely with your child's school learning.

If you have access to the internet at home, your child has a unique username and password that they can use to access **Mathletics**. This online programme, subscribed to by the school, will help your child to improve and reinforce their maths skills.
http://uk.mathletics.com/signin/

Spellings will be sent home on **Fridays**:
Children will have one week to find out the meaning of each word and learn the correct spelling for their spelling test on the following Friday.

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English

This half term the focus text is:
'The Lady of Shalott'
by Alfred Lord Tennyson.

This is Tennyson's beautiful and enigmatic poem of unrequited love, set in Arthurian England.

The children will be writing in different styles linked to the text and learning how to check and edit their work. There will be a strong focus on reading comprehension, handwriting, vocabulary, grammar and spelling.

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We teach our children:

Responsibility
Initiative
Curiosity
Optimism
Independence
Generosity
Perseverance
Social Intelligence

Mathematics

Year 6 will focus on improving our arithmetic skills and times tables knowledge.

During this half term, the children will continue to master the following units in preparation for our SATs:

- Problem Solving, involving the calculation of percentages of whole numbers or measures such as 15% of 360. We will also recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages, in a variety of different contexts.
- Coordinates, which also includes rotation, reflection and translation.
- Data Handling: with focus on pie charts, line and bar graphs, calendars and timetables.
- 3D Shapes: where we will explore all properties and nets of solid shapes. We will also be calculating the area and perimeter of regular and compound shapes.

We will be using **Mathletics** to revise key mathematical concepts and strategies.
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Mandarin

Year 6 will be learning and applying new words and dialogue relevant to a traditional Chinese story, this will include including feelings and action words. Children will continue to develop and apply their ability to discuss daily routines and activities in Mandarin. There will also be a focus on the traditions of Chinese New Year including special cuisine, activities and crafts. They will learn basic words related Chinese New Year and create their own traditional decorations to celebrate.

Year 6 SATs preparation

Year 6 are preparing for their SATs exams in May. They will be encouraged to research and complete extra home learning. This is all in good preparation for their transition to Secondary school in September.

Please ensure your child completes home learning provided and access Spag.com and Mathletics.

If your child has mislaid their password please contact the school.

Encourage your child to do as much reading as possible and attend Booster classes as requested.

Physical Education

Ammolite class will focus on **Volleyball**:
pupils will learn and practise a dig shot, spike shot, block shots and serves over different height nets for increasing difficulty. They will also be developing their understanding of rules and formations in competitive matches.

Azore class will focus on **Dance**:
children will be selecting and applying skills, tactics and compositional ideas in improvisation using a range of controlled movements and patterns. They will understand how costume, music and set can enhance a dance performance.

PE will be on Wednesdays.

All children are required to take part in physical education. Your child must have a school PE kit with plimsolls in school on their PE day.

All items in your child's PE kit must be clearly marked with their name.