

English

This term we will be working with various different text types, beginning in non-fiction and then finishing with newspapers and persuasive writing. We will be reading from Malorie Blackman's 'Pig-Heart Boy' and this will form the basis for our newspaper writing tasks.

Please remember the reading challenge! It is vitally important that your children are exposed to quality literature with a wide range of rich vocabulary to ensure that they can fully access the Year 6 curriculum.

Science

We will be learning about the circulatory system and its role in keeping us healthy. We will also be studying some of the organs and their functions such as the lungs and the heart. We will be conducting various investigations and observations in order to further our understanding of the blood, heart and our bodies' need for oxygen.

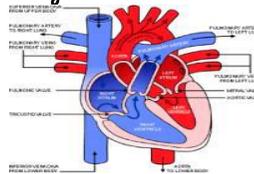
During this topic, we will also be discussing the effects of smoking, drugs and alcohol on our bodies especially how our circulatory system is affected.

Please be aware that there may be sensitive questions that your children may ask you at home surrounding this topic and that we encourage you to answer them as openly and honestly as you feel is appropriate.

Computing

Year 6 will be working with Miss Morley to design, write and debug programs to accomplish specific goals. This will also be themed to our circulatory system topic.

Year 6 Term 1 2021 Learning journey- The Circulatory System.



RE /Personal, Social and Emotional Development.

Our R.E topic for this term begins with Domestic Church and our thoughts about family and love. We will be discussing the unconditional love that God gives us and how we can follow the example of Jesus to forgive and be loving. We will be looking at parables such as the prodigal son in order to understand the love that God has for us.

D&T

As part of the 'design' aspect of Design & Technology, children will be studying, analysing and then designing packaging for a specific audience.

Children will then be thinking about nutrition during cooking later on in the term as part of the 'Technology' aspect of D&T.

Home Learning

Children are expected to read for at least 30 minutes each day and this should be a mixture of quiet reading and reading aloud. The reading challenge will point you in the right direction for suitable texts if you are unsure, and many of these books are available in the Year 6 classroom.

Please also see our Home Learning grid for this term.

Maths

Year 6 will be focussing primarily on reviewing and extending their place value knowledge, from ordering and comparing numbers to interpreting negative numbers in context. We will also be thinking about our rounding, estimation and mental strategy skills. Further on in the term, we will be thinking about long and short division and multiplication and applying these skills to problems in context. Fractions also make up a large part of the term and your child will be thinking about comparing, adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators.

Contact

If at any point throughout the year, you feel there are any issues with your child, anything you feel I need to know, or anything fantastic that your child has achieved outside of school feel free to contact me. My email is: kwhite@stmarysrc.e-sussex.sch.uk

PE

We will be focusing on football this term and the children will have regular lessons with our P.E. coaches. We will also be following the Real P.E. scheme during our other P.E. lessons. It is important that PE kits are kept in school.

Year 6 will be swimming on a Wednesday afternoon.

