

Eco Heroes - Year 6 Summer Term 2023

English

During English this term, we will be looking at the text Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. We will be writing stories and recounts from the text.

Inspired by the book, we will be researching and writing non-chronological reports about Leatherback Turtles and Orangutans.

Along the theme of Climate Change, we will be preparing debates and writing informative blog posts. We will also have opportunities to write persuasively.

Maths

During the Summer term, we will be revising our Year 6 learning so far in preparation for the up-coming tests. After we have completed our assessments, we will be applying our skills to problem solving.

Through the mathematics content, children will continue to consolidate their numerical and mathematical capability from key stage 2 and extend their understanding ready for their transition into secondary.

Art and DT

We will be investigating the work of Arthur Brazhe, who creates clothing using recycled materials. We will also be looking at Japanese artist Hokusai's artwork 'The Great Wave' linked to our English text.

Music

We will be developing an appreciation of a wide range of high-quality live and recorded music drawn from different traditions.

PE

We will be focussing on the skills for racket sports such as tennis and badminton. We will also be looking at the skills required to successfully play games of cricket and badminton.

French We will work to build our vocabulary and conversational French about family and friends.

Topic

Under our Theme of Eco Heroes, we will be focusing on aspects of Climate Change across the World.

We will be describing and gaining understanding of key aspects of physical geography including; climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts. We will also look at the human geography of different locations around the world, particularly types of settlements, land use, economic activity including trade links.

We will gain an understanding of the distribution of natural resources including energy, food, minerals and water. and how this impacts on Climate Change.

PSHE

The key areas that we will cover this term are: Keeping Safe; Keeping Healthy and Growing and Changing. We will be looking at ways that we keep ourselves safe; such as our personal data online; making safe choices and drug use. We will be looking at how our mental health can be affected by change, loss and bereavement and our time online and how we can take care of ourselves with regards to our mental health. We will be finding out about body changes and growing up and also other changes that are associated with growing older such as our increasing level of independence and transition to secondary school.

RE

Values: what matters most? Exploring right and wrong with Christians and Humanists. Christians and Humanists. We will look at the values people share. We will have the opportunity to consider what can be learned from Christian and Humanist ideas and explore how these ideas are similar/ different to their own values, in the light of other people's ideas.

Science

We will be learning about living things and their habitats in Science. We will be describing how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

In addition to this, we will be finding out about evolution and inheritance - children will learn that living things have changed over time. They will learn to recognise that living things produce offspring, and that normally these offspring are not identical to their parents. They will see how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways - and that adaptation may lead to evolution. There is the option to do more in-depth study of a specific animal and also of or Charles Darwin.

Computing

All of our work is underpinned by our understanding how to stay safe when using the internet. Linked to our topic, we will be selecting, using and combining a variety of software. We will be exploring programming and how to successfully code programmes without any bugs.

Important Dates

Assessment week — SATs week begins on Monday 13th May.

PGL — We will be visiting PGL on Friday 5th July until Monday 8th July. There will be a parents' meeting during the next term to discuss the visit.

Open afternoon — Monday 15th July (3.30pm)

Leavers' Service — Thursday 18th July (am)

Year 6 Leavers' Celebration - Thursday 18th July
5.30—7.30pm