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 Design Technology

We will be investigating the work of an eco fashion designer, 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 learning to play competitive games such as badminton and tennis. In basketball, we will apply basic principles suitable for attacking and defending. We will also develop our athletic skills both individually and within a team.

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.

PSHEe

The key areas that we will cover this term are 'Keeping Safe', 'Physical Health and Mental Well-being' and 'Growing and Changing'. We will be looking at healthy sleep habits, sun safety, medicines, vaccinations, immunisations and allergies. We will also learn about personal identity, recognising individuality and different qualities and keeping safe in different situations.

RE

This unit enables pupils to identify and investigate values in human life, and think about their own values, with special reference to the values of Christians and Humanists.

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

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 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 collect, analyse, evaluate and present data and information.

Important Dates

Assessment week — SATs week begins on Tuesday 9th May.

PGL— We will be visiting PGL on Friday 7th July until Monday 10th July. There will be a parents' meeting at *3.30pm on Thursday 25th May* to discuss the visit.

Open afternoon — Monday 17th July (pm)

Leavers' Service — Thursday 20th July (am)

Year 6 Leavers' Celebration - Thursday 20th July 5.00—7.00pm