

Broadening Horizons Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 1 Year 6



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to a busy term in Year 6. We hope this letter will give you a flavour of what we will be learning, and some ideas for a homework project you can help your child with and bring into school during week beginning 1st November 2021.

Thank you for supporting you child by reading regularly every day at home and completing the reading, spelling and maths homework posted on to Google Classroom weekly.

Kind regards,
Miss Gursoy and Miss Mayin.



The World Outside Our Window

*Outdoor learning * Environmental * Global*



We want our children to understand that learning occurs everywhere, inside and outside. The important thing is to seize opportunities, be positive and seek out new challenges. By having a curriculum with a strong focus on outdoor learning, and an assumption that we will not give up easily, we teach our children to be resilient, determined and to see things through. This half term we will have a particular focus on outdoor learning and the benefits it provides for our children.

English	<p>Writing: This half term we are working on selecting appropriate and higher-level vocabulary, which is fitting for the writing purpose.</p> <p>Homework Project: Rumour has it...the local council want to turn Bonneygrove Primary School into more allotments! You will need to write a <u>persuasive</u> letter convincing them <u>not</u> to do this! Think about the vocabulary you are using and the evidence you have to prove this is a <u>bad</u> idea.</p>
Maths	<p>Four Operations: This half term we will be securing our mental strategies for the four operations as well as using the inverse. (addition, subtraction, division and multiplication)</p> <p>Homework Project: Create a board game (similar to snakes and ladders) that involves calculating and problem solving.</p>
Science	<p>Living Things and their Habitats: In this unit, children will learn to classify living things, including microorganisms.</p> <p>Homework Project: You can research plants and animals that live in a particular habitat and classify them into groups.</p>
Humanities	<p>Stone Age To The Iron Age: This unit will teach children about how this period affected life in Britain. They will learn about how early man survived in a harsh environment and how copper mining was crucial.</p> <p>Homework Project: Children can use their imaginations to write an invitation for the</p>

	famous survival expert Bear Grylls. They will need to explain the skills he will need to survive in the Stone Age for one day.
Creative	<p>Music: 'Happy' By Pharrell Williams. This unit will focus on learning this song, playing instruments and singing along, as well as composing their own music/notes.</p> <p>Homework Project: Create a video of yourself performing this piece of music either by singing and/or using an instrument. This may even be an instrument you have created yourself!</p>
	<p>Wildlife (Art): This unit will teach children how to use pencil, white pencil, print, make clay tiles and model to create quality artwork that shows progress in skills</p> <p>Homework Project: Write about sculptor, Brancusi's life in less than 50 words.</p>
PSHE	<p>Being Me In My World: In PSHE, children will learn how they can make our school community a better place for everyone.</p> <p>Homework Project: Write a poem explaining how our own actions affect others.</p>
RE	<p>Creation Stories: Children will explore a range of creation stories from world religions, less known or extinct religions as well as different cultures. They will sequence, compare and contrast the stories throughout the unit.</p> <p>Homework Project: You can broaden your knowledge and research Hinduism and their views on creation.</p>
Computing	<p>Scratch (Animated Stories): Children will continue developing skills in writing their own algorithms.</p> <p>Homework Project: Discuss and compare adventure stories and settings, perhaps collecting examples from TV, films, books and comics. Look for stories in a castle or haunted house</p>
PE	<p>Gymnastics: This movement unit will teach the class how to perform a variety of floor and vault movements.</p> <p>Homework Project: Create a poster, which explores the difference between artistic, rhythmic and acrobatic gymnastics.</p>
Spanish	<p>The Wider World: In Spanish, we will learn key vocabulary relating to countries, continents and animals.</p> <p>Homework Project: You can draw lines to link capital Cities with countries and continents. Use an atlas or the internet to research.</p>
Important dates and information	Half-term: Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October.