

Autumn 2

Year 6



Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back!

We are looking forward to a new half-term and seeing you all at our Parents' Consultations in Week 2. We are extremely proud of how well the children settled into life in Year 6 last half-term. We have another busy half-term ahead of us with Antibullying week, assessment week, Christmas activities, getting children secondary school ready and preparing them for their writing assessments & SATs. We would appreciate your continued support in ensuring the children get their homework completed weekly, their spellings & times tables practiced and ensuring they read and record in their reading records. Please encourage your child to read at home themselves and to you! Year 6s now have been awarded various jobs and responsibilities across the school and we will be looking to the Year 6 children to be our role models at EVS as the younger children do look up to them. Remember, all teachers see the children out at the end of the day should you need to speak to any of us. It is so important to the Year 6 team that we work closely with you to ensure we get the best out of all of our children. We want to ensure all of the children are secondary school ready when they leave us at EVS and need your support in helping the children develop their independence & resilience ready to embrace the next stage of their educational journey.

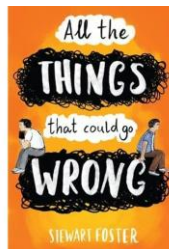
The Curriculum

English

In English, children will write a flashback narrative using the clip 'The Piano' as a stimulus. In the run up to Christmas, the children will be completing some writing inspired by well-known Christmas advertisements. The children are encouraged to continue practising their spellings this half-term, as they will be tested on the Y3/4 & Y5/6 words at some point.

Reading

Our class book this half-term is: *Can you see me?* by Libby Scott and Rebecca Westcott. In our whole class reading lessons, the children will be exposed to variety of genres including: *Oliver Twist* (Fiction), *Light* (Information text), *All the Things That Could Go Wrong* by Stewart Foster (linked to Antibullying Week). We will also be studying the poet Carol Ann Duffy and focusing on the poems *The Christmas Truce* and *In Mrs Tilscher's*.



Maths

In maths, the children will learn continue their learning on fractions (divide & multiply fractions and find fractions of amounts) as well as learning about metric measures in Measurement. They will do daily arithmetic practice using *Arithmagician*. Their times tables knowledge is crucial for maths lessons in Year 6. Please encourage your child to practise their times tables at home on <https://ttrockstars.com/>.

In **Science**, the children will be learning about Light. They will carry out investigations on reflection, refraction & shadows.

In **History**, the children will be studying the Shang Dynasty.

In **R.E** the children will be learning all about Words of Wisdom.

In **Computing**, the children will be learning about the importance of internet safety.

In **Design Technology**, the children will be looking at Mechanical Systems using cams.

In **Music**, the children will be learning to create and perform Samba rhythms.

In **P.E**, the children will be learning the skills of basketball and dance!

In **PSHE**, children will be exploring the unit of 'Celebrating Difference'. They will also take part in Antibullying Week.

Things to remember:

Homework & Reading records are due on **Mondays**.

Please send in any **cereal boxes** (not containing any nuts) or **shoe boxes** for our DT & Science lessons.

Value of the month for **November:**



Value of the month for **December:**



Dates for your diary! =

Individual and sibling school photographs:

Friday 3rd November

Parent Consultations:

Monday 6th & Wednesday 8th November

Remembrance Day:

Saturday 11th November

Antibullying Week:

Monday 13th - Friday 17th November

Odd Socks Day:

Monday 13th November

FRIENDS of EVS Disco:

Thursday 16th November

Children in Need:

Friday 17th November

Year 6 NCMP (height & weight checks):

Monday 27th November

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Christmas Jumper Day:

Thursday 7th December

Pantomime:

Friday 8th December:

Christmas Dinner:

Wednesday 13th December

Y6 Celebration of Work:

Thursday 14th December

FRIENDS of EVS

Christmas Shop:

Wednesday 20th December

Christmas Holidays:

Friday 22nd December