Autumn 2

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome back!

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 Anti-bullying 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

<u>English</u>

In English, children will write a non-fiction biography about Rosa Parks. In the second half of the term, they will write a letter to Mr Scrooge from *A Christmas Carol*. 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.



<u>Maths</u>

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. Their times tables knowledge is crucial for maths lessons in Year 6. Please encourage your child to practise their times tables at home on <u>https://ttrockstars.com/</u>. <u>Foundation Subjects</u>

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 to answer the question Do Christian celebrations and traditions help Christians understand who Jesus was and why he was born?

In **Computing**, the children will be learning about the importance of online safety and about blogging.

In **Design Technology**, the children will be looking at Mechanical Systems using cams. In **Music**, the children will be learning to create music technology and will be taught by Mrs Prince.

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 Antibullyina 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!= Remembrance Day: Monday 11th November Antibullying Week: Monday 11th - Friday 15th November

Odd Socks Day: Tuesday 12th November Children in Need (nonuniform day): Friday 15th November FRIENDs of EVS Movie Night:

Thursday 28th November



Christmas Dinner: Wednesday 4th December Y6 Celebration of Work: Wednesday 4th December Year 6 NCMP (height & weight checks): Tuesday 10th December Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 12th December FRIENDs of EVS Christmas Shop: Tuesday 17th December Pantomime: Wednesday 18th December Winning House Prize: Thursday 19th December Christmas Holidays: Friday 20th December