



WELCOME BACK TO YEAR 6.  
THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS  
THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM.



## **Civil Rights in Changing Britain / How are humans impacting our rainforest regions? Maths**

## **Literacy**

Our main areas of study will be:

- Calculations
- Properties of shape
- Data Handling
- Problem Solving

Your child will also be using their times tables and other mathematical knowledge to further develop their skills in problem solving. In addition to this, your child has been invited to our early-morning SATs boosting sessions on a Tuesday and Thursday morning.

Our main areas of writing will be based around the stimulus 'Grimm Tales for young and old' by Phillip Pullman and will cover :

- The features of fairy-tales
- Compare versions of the same story
- Writing our own fairy-tale style story

Also during literacy your child will be focusing on sentence punctuation, spelling and handwriting.

## **Geography and History**

In History, we will be looking into the subject of 'Civil Rights in Changing Britain' and paying particular attention to events that have changed our society for the better. For our geography unit for the Summer term, we will be looking at how humans are impacting our rainforests where we will learn about the characteristics of our rainforests and the impact humans are having on them.

## **Science**

In Science we will be looking into the unit of Light. During this unit, the children will learn how light travels and how we see objects. We will, wherever possible, participate in practical science lessons.

## **Art / DT**

In our art lessons, we will be looking at 'Bees, Beetles and Butterflies', studying art completed by artists and creating our own in their style. We will also be looking at 'Making, Doing and Mending' with textiles in our D&T lessons.

## **Computing/ Spanish**

In computing lessons we will learn about using spreadsheets, as well as have a focus on keeping safe online.

We will also continue our Spanish lessons, focusing on words and simple phrases.

## **R.E.**

In R.E. we will be looking into the similarities and differences between the story of Creation and the scientific belief of how the world began. The children will also read and investigate Bible passages within our RE lessons and then share these with the rest of the school during collective worship.

## **PSHE**

In PSHE we will be looking at the topic: 'Relationships' where we will look into our own mental health, discuss relationships, loss and being safe online. We will also look at a number of current issues during our Picture News sessions.

## **PE**

Our PE lessons will take place on a Monday afternoon. All children look very smart in their PE kit of plain red shorts, plain white t-shirt and trainers. With the weather improving, please also ensure your child brings their trainers to school with them on a Monday.

## **Spellings/Times Tables**

Spellings will be set on a Monday. A short test will be carried out the following Friday. The children will be given times tables tests throughout the week and your help, at home, with this is greatly appreciated.

## **SATs**

As you will be aware, the children will be taking their SATs examinations this term (the week beginning the 13th May). We will be holding our Maths Booster sessions as mentioned above and, in addition to this, the children will be prepared by having the opportunity to look at some past papers in class. Please use the SATs Booster packs (given to the children during their SATs meetings) for homework and home reading.

## **Finally...**

**If you have any questions or concerns please email me at [m.jowett@stj.hslt.academy](mailto:m.jowett@stj.hslt.academy) or telephone the school office on 825091. Thank you.**