



# CLASS 6MJ

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.



## THE BENIN / FROZEN KINGDOMS

### Maths

Our main areas of study will be;

- Geometry
- Decimals and percentages
- Algebra

Your child will also be using their times tables and other mathematical knowledge to further develop their skills in problem solving.

### Literacy

Our main areas of writing will be based around the non-fiction text 'Suffragettes' by David Roberts and will cover :

- Information Texts
- Fictional writing
- We will also be developing our reading and writing through our History and Geography learning

Also during literacy your child will be focussing on sentence punctuation, spelling and handwriting. We will be reading the book 'The Little Match Girl Strikes Back' by Emma Carroll.

## Geography and History

In History, we will be looking into the subject of the ancient civilisation of the Benin Kingdom and looking into how this compares to the United Kingdom during the same period. Our geography unit for the Spring term is 'Frozen Kingdoms', where we will be looking into the Arctic and Antarctica, the wildlife found in each and comparing the two.

### Science

In Science we will be learning about evolution and inheritance. During these sessions, we will be looking at what fossils tell us, understanding variation and looking into adaptation. We will, wherever possible, participate in practical science lessons.

### Art / DT

In our art lessons, we will be looking at 'Inuit' art, creating pieces in the style of artists who lived in the frozen kingdoms. In DT, we will be looking at the unit: 'Engineer' where we will be studying and building bridges that can bare weight.

### Computing/ Spanish

In computing lessons we will learn about variables in games, 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 asking ourselves 'Christians and how to live: what would Jesus do?'. The children will also read and investigate Bible passages during our collective worship.

### PSHE

In PSHE we will be looking at the topic: 'Dreams and Goals' where we will be learning about how to set realistic but challenging goals for ourselves. We will also look into how we can support others with their challenges.

### 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.

### PE / Music

Our PE lessons will take place on a Wednesday afternoon. All children look very smart in their PE kit of plain red shorts, plain white t-shirt and trainers. In Music, the children will be learning 'The New Year's Carol' by Benjamin Britten on the musical platform Charanga.

### Home Reading

Children will be given their reading books to take home daily. They should be encouraged to read a few pages every night and need to bring their reading record back to school each day. Please discuss with your child what they have read before signing their reading record book. Books will be changed when they have completed the text.

### Finally...

**If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to catch me on the door, otherwise please email or telephone the school office. Thank you.**