

Year 6 Newsletter Term 2 Autumn 2020

Welcome back to Term 2!

This term, our topic will be Brazil. We will be learning about the geography, food and people of Brazil, as well as issues concerning the Amazon rainforest and conservation.

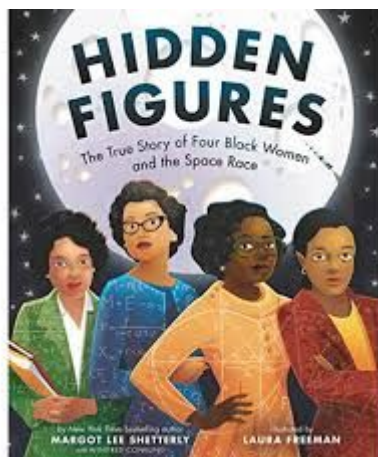
We'll also be learning all about Light in our Science lessons.

English and Maths will continue to be a high focus.



English

In our English lessons we will be basing our writing on the book, "Hidden Figures", by Margot Lee Shetterly.



The book depicts the story of four black women's involvement with the space race of the 1950s and 60s. The text will be used as the basis for a range of genres including report writing, persuasive writing and autobiographical writing. We will also use our topic of Brazil to develop children's writing skills. There will be a strong emphasis on grammar, spelling, punctuation and handwriting. Whole class reading and comprehension will be taught on a daily basis.

Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on a range of different objectives, including ensuring that children's secure understanding of all four operations with larger numbers and decimals. In addition, we will be covering fractions, statistics and measurement. There will be a continued emphasis upon ensuring that all children can confidently recall their multiplication and related division facts. We will also be focusing on applying this knowledge when solving problems. Mental arithmetic will be taught alongside this on a weekly basis.

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6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

<u>Science</u>	<u>Topic</u>
<p>This term, our science topic is 'Light'. Throughout this topic, children will be taught how light travels in straight lines and will investigate shadows (how their shape and size changes). As well as our practical investigations, we will look at how we can use what we have learnt to make good shadow puppet plays.</p>	<p>For our topic, we will focus on developing children's geographical knowledge and skills. Children will learn about some of the physical and human geographical features of Brazil. They will revise their knowledge of the UK and use this to make comparisons between both nations.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>RE</u></p> <p>This term, children will be learning about the core beliefs of Hinduism and the Hindu festival of Diwali.</p>

P.E.

PE will be taught on a Tuesday for Mauve Class and Purple Class. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit (white t-shirt, black/blue shorts and trainers).

PSHE - Anti-bullying, Diversity and Drugs and Alcohol

This term in RSE, we will be teaching the following objective:

- To recognise and respect differences
- What is bullying, its impact and what can be done to combat it

This term in Drugs and Alcohol, we will be teaching the following objective:

- To understand the effects, risks and law relating to cannabis

If you have any questions or queries regarding this please see your child's teacher.

Keeping Safe - COVID19

The school has put into place many measures to keep children and staff safe during the pandemic. These include ensuring that all children remain within their year group bubble and do not mix with other year groups. In addition, children wash their hands frequently throughout the day.

Parents are asked to ensure that children have their own water bottle which is brought home and cleaned every day. In addition, we ask that children no longer bring in bags to school, unless it is to bring in their packed lunches or to return school reading books.

Reading

Children will be given reading books each week. Please ensure that your child reads every day.

Homework

All home learning is now set online in Google Classroom. Homework is set on every Friday and should be submitted by the following Wednesday. Children will be given a piece of Maths and a piece of English work to complete.

Home Learning Project

This term's home learning project will be an exciting project based on our science topic of light. The children will be given resources to undertake a simple investigation at home and will be asked to upload photographs, illustrations and writing describing their observations.

Thank you for all your support!

Miss Broomfield (Mauve Class), Miss Dodd (Purple Class) and Miss Grimwood