

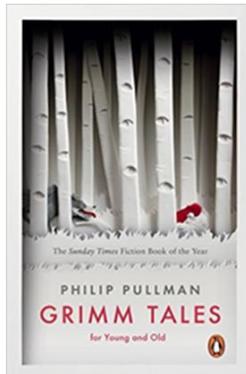
## Year 6 Newsletter Term 4 Spring 2020

**Welcome back! This term, our topic will be ‘The Grimm Tales’ and we have lots of fun and exciting learning planned! Maths and English continue to be a high focus, as we prepare for the SATs tests in May.**



### English

In our English lessons we will be basing our writing on the text ‘The Grimm Tales’ by Philip Pullman. Through this text, children will focus on narrative writing, different kinds of reports and retelling stories from different points of view. We will be continuing to study a range of grammar and punctuation as well as working through SATs style reading comprehension papers, in preparation for the SATs in May.



### Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on a range of different objectives. We will mainly be looking at place value, number, the four operations, fractions, decimals and percentages.. We will also be focusing on applying this knowledge when solving problems. Mental arithmetic will be taught on a weekly basis. It would be of great benefit if you could practise the times tables with your child regularly.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30	33	36
4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40	44	48
5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
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

### Science

Science Week will be in the week beginning the 16th March, with a strong eco focus this year. The children will take part in a workshop with Joined Up Science, which will culminate with them sharing their learning with Key Stage 1 classes. The focus will be on the best materials to replace plastic with.



### Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation

To help prepare the children for their SATs tests, there will be an extra focus on spelling, grammar and punctuation in the afternoons this term. We will also be ensuring the children are using and applying these ideas in their own writing. Please support your children by helping them to practise the different spellings at home.



### P.E.

PE will be taught on a Monday and Friday afternoon for Mauve Class and Purple Class. Please ensure your child has the correct PE uniform (white t-shirt, black/blue shorts and trainers).

### Drugs and Alcohol

This term, as part of our Drugs and Alcohol scheme of work, we will be teaching the following objective:

- To understand the risk of volatile substance abuse (VSA)

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

### Trips, Visitors and Workshops

Thank you to all parents who have paid their £20 annual trips, visitors and workshops contribution.

In Term 1, our visitors were CREW (and their prehistory mysteries). They really helped the children to understand changes throughout the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

For Term 2, we had a visit from Nadine Wild-Palmer, the author of our novel 'The Tunnels Below', which inspired the children in their writing.

In Term 3, we visited the Horniman Museum for a workshop all about adaptation and evolution.

In Term 4, we are having Science-based learning experiences including a Science workshop and solving a CSI crime scene.

**If you have not yet paid your £20 annual contribution, please can you do so as soon as possible to ensure these visits can take place. Regretfully, if we do not receive enough contributions, then we will be unable to run some of the trips and experiences we have planned. Many thanks.**

### Home learning

Every Friday, children will be given a piece of Maths and a piece of English work to be completed by the following Wednesday. Alongside this, there will also be a project based around our topic, 'The Grimm Tales', which children can complete at home. Children will also continue to be given a levelled home reading book each week. Children are also invited to choose books from our class library as and when they need changing.

### Important Dates

Science week:	Week beginning 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
World Book Day:	Thursday 5th March 2020
Sharing assembly:	Tuesday 17th March April 2020
SATs meeting	Tuesday 24th March 2020
Parents evening:	Wednesday 1st April 2020
<b>SATs tests:</b>	<b>Week beginning Monday 11th May 2020</b>

Thank you for all your support!

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