

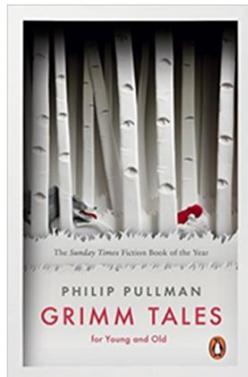
Year 6 Newsletter Term 4 Spring 2018

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 Number, Measurement and Geometry. We will also be focusing on applying this knowledge when solving problems. Mental arithmetic will be taught alongside this 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 11th March, with a strong eco focus this year. The children will take part in several different workshops, including papermaking and playing with the junk orchestra. They will also have a Science/DT challenge around plastic bottles.



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

SRE

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

- To understand male and female puberty changes in more detail.

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) and Adrian the Rainforest Man (talking about animals during the Stone Age). These visitors really helped the children to learn about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

For Term 2, we were visited by the Science Dome, who inspired the children's learning about Light, and we had a Respect workshop by the Big Foot Theatre company as part of our PSHE learning.

In Term 3, we had a Mayan experience from Now Press Play, to immerse the children in their History topic.

In Term 4, we are having Science-based learning experiences including papermaking with the WRWA and the Junk Orchestra.

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. Regrettably, 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 11 th March 2019
World Book Day:	Thursday 7 th March 2019
Sharing assembly:	Tuesday 2 nd April 2019
Parents evening:	Wednesday 3 rd April 2019
SATs tests:	Week beginning Monday 13th May 2019

Thank you for all your support!
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