

Year Six Newsletter Spring 1, January 2018



Year Six Saves the World!

Welcome back! We begin our new year investigating what it means to be a national and global citizen. The children will explore the concept of compassion and charity across the curriculum. We will study the book *Wonder* by RJ Palacio, explore the experiences of refugees and evaluate how they can be a positive influence. We will complete a design project, creating a prototype for a refugee shelter, create and publish an 'Anthology of Hope' as well as plan and cook dishes for a homeless charity. We can't wait to share the results with you at our Exhibition of Hope on 7th February.

mathematics

Mathematics

We will be mastering using the use of decimals with the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We will solve problems involving percentages and using percentages for comparisons. We will also be using algebra to solve equations with two missing numbers and to create linear sequences.

Important Dates:

5.1.18 - Learning Log Exhibition

Red Cross Refugee Awareness Visit — 16.1.18

'Into the Wild' Trip - 1.2.18

Exhibition of Hope -7.2.18



English

We will be exploring the themes of compassion and the complex relationships in our book, *Wonder*. The children will explore the different perspectives of each character and will use these comprehension skills in their writing.

We will then turn to non-fiction, looking at the experience of one particular child refugee and creating information leaflets. We will then explore protest songs and poetry and the children will create their own collection of writing in an anthology.







Maths and Reading Tutor Groups

Maths — Tuesdays, 08.00-09.00 with Mr Evans

Reading — Thursdays, 3.20-4.30 with Miss Walton If you would like a place for your child, please contact us.

Science

We will be investigating living things and their habitats. Children will describe the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird. They will also learn about the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals



P.E.

It's Zumba time! The children will be getting their leg warmers out ready to learn some challenging routines and get their hearts racing. We will also be outside playing netball for this half term.



Time to Talk

Our shared class discussions will include relationships, anti-bullying and staying safe online. These are all linked with our curriculum subjects.

Computing

This half term, the children will programme and develop their own game. We will also develop digital literacy skills, looking at cyberbullying and communicating safely online.



Should you have any queries or suggestions, please let us know. In the meantime, many thanks for your continuing support and we look forward to a term of exciting learning and great progress!

With our best regards,

The Year Six Team.

