


Happy New Year!

We are really looking forward to our topic next term and we've heard that there are some wonderful Learning Log ideas under way and can't wait to see them now we are back.

We will begin our new year investigating what it means to be a national and global citizen. The children will explore the concepts of diversity, democracy, compassion and charity across the curriculum. We will study the book '*Wonder*' by R.J Palacio, considering what it means to be different and take part in the BBC 500 Words competition. We will also explore the experiences of refugees and explore the reasons why people flee their country of origin in times of crisis. We will create a political campaign about an issue close to our hearts, discover how we can be a positive influence and make a difference. We will also complete a design project and publish an 'Anthology of Hope'. We can't wait to share the results with you at our Exhibition of Hope. As you might have guessed, it's going to be a busy and inspirational half term. Let's get going!

Year Six Saves the World		Important Dates:			
		9.120 – Young Voices 13.120 – Learning Log Exhibition 29.120 – The Science and Art of Noticing – at Cartwright Hall 4.2.20 – Into the Wild Visit 7.2.20 – Exhibition of Hope			
Homework		Learning Log		PE Days	
Due every Friday: Spelling rule revision SATs Companion – set tasks and any practice		We will be holding a Learning Log Exhibition where children will present their projects to the class. This will take place on 13.12.2020		Thursday – Outdoor Netball Friday – Indoor Dance – Zumba	
Curriculum					
English		Maths		Science	
Our class text will be <i>Wonder</i> by R.J Palacio whilst also exploring <i>The Lost Words</i> , <i>Boy at the Back of the Class</i> , <i>The Journey</i> and <i>The Arrival</i> . We will work with non-fiction texts from the British Red Cross about the experiences of refugees. Children will collect their stories, poems, songs, art and political speeches in an Anthology of Hope.		We will use our understanding of fractions from last term to master decimals and percentages. Children will be taught to recognise equivalences between decimals, fractions and percentages and find percentages of amounts. We will then move on to teach the concept of algebra, finding pairs of numbers to satisfy two unknowns and use simple formulae.		Children will be taught to know who Linnaeus was and learn about his classification system. We will explore classification systems, understanding that they group according to similarities & differences. Children will classify endangered species, whilst studying the reasons for their endangerment.	
Humanities		Art/DT		PSHE	
Children will use their geographical skills to study the reasons and journeys of human migration. They will collect and analyse statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about locations, identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location. They will also be taught about crisis relief and climate change and how they can make a difference as a global citizen.		Children will complete an Art with Messages project in which they will study the works of Banksy and Swoon and their influences. They will use this as inspiration for their own work in which they will show life-like qualities and abstract proportions to provoke different interpretations. They will use tools to carve and add shapes, texture and pattern.		Our topic has this curriculum area at its heart and will thread through all of our work, including: Recognise and express feelings about their own identities. Relate these to religious beliefs or teachings. Explain their own ideas about the answers to ultimate questions. Explain why their own answers to ultimate questions may differ from those of others.	
Teaching Team			Support Team		
Mr C Evans – Deputy Headteacher – Alan Turing Miss E Walton – Alan Turing Miss R Hayden – Katherine Johnson Mrs S Powell – Reading tuition Madame Thakker – Francais Mrs N Littlewood – PE			Mr A Feather – HLTA Mrs L Hodgson – Teaching Assistant Mr A Hussain – Teaching Support Apprentice		
Reading Tuition Group – Mondays, 3.20-4.15			Maths Tuition Group – Wednesdays, 08.00-08.50		
Contact Mr Evans for a place at one of our Tuition Groups					