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CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER - SPRING TERM 1 YEAR 6 MR HORNSBY & MRS ATKINSON

English

In English this half term, we will be continuing with our novel 'Waiting for Anya', before moving onto another text 'Street child' by Berlie Doherty. This story is about an orphan boy in Victorian times and his fight for survival. It allows us to get plenty of writing opportunities from it, as well as looking at the author's use of grammar and punctuation.



Mathematics

We will continue to look at fractions this half term and we will be focusing on addition and subtraction of fractions including improper fractions and mixed numbers. Children will also look at other operations involving fractions including multiplying and dividing fractions too. We will also look at the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also spend some time revising and consolidating work completed in the Autumn term.

Science - Physics

Light
How do we see? How are shadows formed? How does light travel? These questions will all be answered as we explore light in Science.



PE

Gymnastics - we will be producing a routine focussed on counter-balance and counter-tension. Children will work in small groups to achieve this.



Art

Children will become fashion designers. They will gain inspiration from existing fashion before sketching and designing some clothes of their own.



Music

Learning is focused around the song 'You've Got a Friend' - a song by Carol King. As well as learning the song itself, we will explore Carol King as an artist and look at her achievements.

RE

We will increase our awareness of the global world we live in and learn about the impact of religion on individuals and communities. We will also compare different religions whilst doing this.

History

Was the Darlington to Stockton railway the first ever railway? We will analyse a variety of evidence to help answer this question. We will also consider the importance of railways on modern Britain.

Useful Information

What can you do to help your child?

Reading

We should also be aiming to read at least three times per week. Children have got lots of opportunities to access reading books for pleasure.

Please ensure children's reading books and reading records are in school every day. Thank you!

Online Resources

Children have access to a number of websites to support their learning such as: LBQ (Learning by Questions), edshed, ttockstars. These should be used weekly to support learning at school and children are aware of this too.

PE - Our PE day remains on a Friday but please ensure PE kits are in school on a Monday for the duration of the week.

Our PE focuses on gymnastics this half term and will be indoors. Please can children ensure they have appropriate PE kit in school.

Earrings should not be worn on PE days either for safety.

Our current class novel is 'The Boy at the Back of the Class' and will then be 'When the Sky Falls'.



Thank you for your continued support. If there is anything else you would to discuss, please use our class email: Yr6@clevescrossprimary.org.uk and somebody will be happy to help.