



Cleves Cross

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 1



Core Subjects

English – In English this half term, we will be reading a range of biographies and autobiographies. We will use texts from Roald Dahl and Michael Morpurgo and the children will use their own experiences to write an autobiographical account. Some reading and written compositions will be linked to our topic through studying Greek myths and legends too and linking this to our History topic.

Mathematics - Children will investigate the place value of large numbers and need to be able to use formal written calculations for the four operations. There will be an emphasis on problem solving and maths investigations. The children will also have a weekly mental maths/arithmetic test and focused times tables practice and tests. It is really important that the children spend time learning their multiplication tables and related division facts too as they really are key.

Other Key Learning

Science

We will be learning all about classification and its importance. We will look at the work of Linnaeus and Aristotle and their systems of classification.

History - Ancient Greece

We will explore the Greek achievements and what influence they had on the western world. We will also consider what life may have been like for a child living in Ancient Greece too.

Art

Inspired by our work on the Ancient Greeks, children will research, design and make their own clay tile inspired by their learning in History.

Religious Education

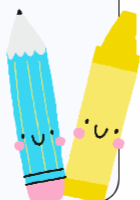
We will explore diversity in our local area and focus on what it would be like for a Muslim living in our local area. We will explore the Islamic traditions.

PE

Our topics in PE this half term include 'Athletics' and 'Grid Rugby'. Children will be building on the skills learnt last year.

Music

We will focus on 'Happy' - a song by Pharrell Williams. Children will discuss the tempo, texture, pitch and pulse of the song and compare it with other pieces of music.



Useful Information

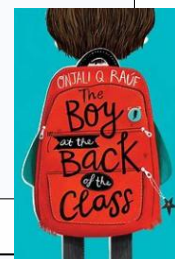
What can you do to help your child?

We should also be aiming to read at least three times per week - please sign your child's diary when they have read at home.

Online Resources

Children have access to a number of websites to support their learning such as: LBQ, Edshed and TT Rockstars.

Our current class novel is *The Boy at the Back of the Class* by Onjali Q. Rauf which the children are enjoying during daily story time.



Reminders

PE - Our PE day is on a Friday but please ensure PE kits are in school on a Monday for the duration of the week as we sometimes make use of the good weather. Earrings should not be worn on PE days either for safety.

Children should wear outdoor PE kit consisting of a plain t-shirt and tracksuit bottoms/shorts or leggings.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

