

English

Texts to be studied:

The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes
The Nowhere Emporium by Ross MacKenzie

Text Genre: Writing for information and entertainment.

Narrative Poetry
Newspaper Reports
Diary writing

GPS/phonics focus:

Adverbials of time, manner, place, frequency
Word classes: determiners, homophones
More suffixes and how they affect spellings

History - Ancient Greece

To know some of the major achievements of the Ancient Greek civilisation including building temples, making scientific discoveries, writing plays and the developing sports.

To understand that Western culture is largely based on many things invented by the Greeks (including Ancient Greek theatres, maths, science, art and sport)

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Objectives

Gospel - What would Jesus do? What sort of King was he?

Children look at the Christian New Testament and gospels, including the Sermon on the Mount.

Outcomes

Children can make connections between the parables and the Sermon on the Mount and how Christians choose to live.

Class: Year 6 Torak Base

Date: Spring 1 2025

History Topic for half term: Ancient Greece

Science - Animals including humans - the heart and health

Objectives

Identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood

Recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function

Describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans

Outcomes

Reporting and presenting findings and explanations

Identifying scientific evidence used to support or refute ideas or arguments.

Other curriculum areas

PSHE: Living in the Wider World - Democracy and how laws are made. Money, jobs and taxes.

French: Months and dates, Places in town, building simple sentences in French.

Music: How does music affect us?

Music through film.

PE: Gymnastics (indoor) and Hockey (outdoor).

Maths

Areas to be studied:

Multiplying and dividing decimals

Percentages and conversions

Measurement of length and weight

Measuring volume and time

Area and Perimeter

Geometry of vertically opposing angles and triangles

Arithmetic questions based on all of the above areas.

Reasoning and problem solving based on the above areas.



Art /DT - Watercolour Painting & Still Life

Objectives

Develop and extend ideas, using a sketch book to collect, develop and present ideas imaginatively. Use a variety of techniques. Children select between paint types and mix colours to depict their own thoughts, feeling and intentions.

Outcomes

Children create ink still life pictures in 3D foamboard.

Children also create still life with carbon paper overlays.

Spring 1 2025

Dates and information - Year 6 Spring 1 2025

This is another packed half of term, with the fascinating topics of Ancient Greece in geography and the heart and health in science. We make fake blood as part of our science lessons! Every day of learning counts as we tackle the packed Year 6 maths curriculum, and work on meta-cognition (knowing your own strengths, weaknesses and how to learn independently). Children continue to be encouraged to strive to be their very best in lessons, so that every lesson is taken advantage of. We continue to stress the importance of healthy minds and talking about any worries at school. Please do contact us if we can help with anything - year 6 is a time of enormous change for these pre-teenage teenagers.

Class Organisation

PE: Wednesday - Hockey & gym

Home Learning

Spellings are set on a Monday for testing the following Monday. Homework is set from Monday to Monday.

How you can help with organisation

Encourage your child to be responsible for being ready for learning. This means remembering homework when it is due so we can go through it or they miss out; signed diaries showing they've read; children will need their reading books and home/school diaries every day.

Help from home

We start working as soon as the children arrive, so if they can come in close to 8:30am they will benefit from extra support until registration. It's really helping those who already do, so thank you in advance if this is possible.

Dates for your diary

6th January - Children return to school
14th January - SATS information meeting after school
10th and 12th February Parent/Carer consultations
February Half Term - Break up 14th February
Monday 24th February - INSET day.
25th February - Children return to school
28th February - watch Alice at Bryanston school