

Year 6 Spring 2 Newsletter:

The Americas!



Our Summer 1 Learning Adventure will be a tour of 'The Americas' as part of the whole school Big Idea 'The World Beneath Our Feet'. The main focus of the learning adventure will be Geography, with some added Art learning. We will be locating key landmarks and cities of both North and South America. Our attention will then turn to the 'Ring of Fire' where we will learn about volcanoes and earthquakes.

Science - Light

We will be looking at sources of light, how shadows are formed and learning that light travels in straight lines.

Computing

For this half term we will be looking at staying safe online and looking at the history of computers.

PE and Games

This term in PE We will be improving our throwing, catching and striking skills with cricket and rounders. PE will continue to be on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

PSHE

Following the school-wide approach and using Jigsaw resources we will be looking at 'Relationships'.

Class Novel

We will starting to read 'Skellig' by David Almond, before moving onto 'The Explorers' by Katherine Rundell. It is tale of excitement and adventure, set in the Amazon rainforest - so a perfect accompaniment for our 'Americas' topic.



Homework



Maths and SPAG to continue until SATs are over. Please continue with TT Rockstars, spelling and reading. Practice all three daily.

Reading

It is expected that your child reads at home at least 3 times a week. If they do not read at home, they may be asked to stay in at playtime to read with an adult. Please could we ask for your support in encouraging your child to spend 15 minutes three times a week at home on Reading Plus to continue making further progress.

Spellings

Spellings will be handed out on a Monday and the children will be tested on a Friday. Please practice these with your children at home. Children are expected to practice their spellings on Spelling Shed at least 3 times a week. If they cannot access this at home, they can come to one of the clubs on a lunchtime.

Times tables

Your child will be tested on their times tables regularly in school. Children are expected to practice their times tables on TT Rockstars at least 3 times a week. If they cannot access this at home, they can come to one of the clubs on a lunchtime.

Knowledge organisers

Knowledge organisers will be sent home at the beginning of each new topic. Please look through these with your children and challenge each other to learn the facts and key information on them.

Art

We will be developing our cutting skills to create intricate shadow puppets. We will then be using these to make our own animations.

