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Term Ahead: October 2024 - Primary 6

Dear Families,

Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely October holiday! We hope that you'll find the information below useful. We are no longer using X (Twitter), but you can keep up with our latest updates on Padlet!

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| <p style="text-align: center;">Literacy and English</p> <p>We are continuing to encourage a love of reading through regular reading in class and we will be continuing our novel study of Wonder. Later on in the term we will be using literacy circles, where pupils will take on various roles to enhance their understanding and engagement with texts.</p> <p>This term, we'll be focusing on persuasive writing. We'll apply these skills to create engaging leaflets for our Technology topic.</p> <p>In grammar, we'll be learning to use powerful techniques like exaggerated language, adverbials, alliteration, catchy slogans, and headings/subheadings to strengthen our persuasive writing.</p> <p>We will continue to practise spelling in class. The spelling words are attached to the Homework Wall.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Numeracy and Mathematics</p> <p>In Numeracy we will be learning to multiply and divide numbers using a range of strategies. We will be learning about multiples and factors using times table knowledge. We would love it if you could help your children practise their times tables at home as this will help them with multiplying and dividing.</p> <p>We will also be focusing on Mental Agility, enhancing our speed and accuracy in calculations.</p> <p>In December, we will apply our numeracy knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to real life contexts using money.</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Learning Across the Curriculum</p> <p>This term we will be starting our new topic, Technology. We'll be exploring coding, looking at the evolution of technology, and even designing our own games. We will be sharing this learning at an assembly on the 4th of December.</p> <p>We will be continuing to use the outdoors to enhance our learning.</p> <p>Health and wellbeing lessons will focus on the Zones of Regulation, where we will explore understanding our emotions and developing effective self-regulation strategies.</p> <p>Pupils are continuing to grow their confidence on how to use their iPads to support their learning in school. They will be using one note, assignments and a range of apps whilst engaging with various tasks in class.</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Administration</p> <p>P.E: will take place on Tuesday afternoon for P6B and Wednesday morning for P6A with our PE specialist Mr Murray. Kit must be worn to school.</p> <p>Outdoor Learning: will take place on Monday in our woods and the surrounding area. Children must come to school in appropriate clothing with waterproof coats and footwear.</p> <p>Learning outdoors can take place at any time, in any weather. It is important that children are dressed for this. Remember that it could be sunny and warm before coming to school but cold and wet by lunchtime!</p> <p>Windows and doors are open at all times for ventilation so please bear this in mind. Your child may want to wear more layers so that they can add and remove clothing as they feel the need. It helps if clothes are named – even initials in Sharpie.</p> |

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office.

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