

Updates and reminders

Welcome back to all pupils, parents and carers. We hope you have had a fantastic half term holiday and are ready to get stuck into the term.

Welcome to the team: Miss Arthur will be joining the Year 6 team this term. She will be working with pupils in both classes throughout the week.

Home Learning: We received some fantastic home learning last term and we hope you enjoyed working with your child on these projects. Home Learning will be sent home on the first Monday of each term (Mon 6th November). Pupils will aim to complete a number of activities to score a minimum of 10 points.

Spellings: Spellings will continue to be sent home at the start of each term. There will be approximately 30 words. The pupils need to spend some time each week learning the vocabulary. This will be alongside daily practice in the academy.

Young Voices: There will be weekly rehearsals for Young Voices this term. Please use the following to support your child learn the lyrics for all the songs at home <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/for-children>
Password - YVConcerts2018

Think, Protect, Connect: Every Monday, year 6 will be visited by PC Law who will work with all the pupils to develop their understanding of a range of topics, including multiple identities, stereotyping, extremism and how the media influences us. Please talk to your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Dates for the Diary:

- 31.10.17** Term 2 Begins
- 10.11.17** Poppy Appeal Installation – Small Hall
- 13.11.17** Think, Protect, Connect begins
- 22.11.17** RSW host Learning Ambassadors
- 29.11.17** Year 6 Assembly (both classes) 2:30pm in the main hall
- 18.12.17** Christmas Enterprise Event 3:00 - 5:00pm in the main hall
- 20.12.17** Christmas Jumper Day
- 20.12.17** Academy Christmas Dinner
- 20.12.17** KS2 Carol Concert 2:30pm - Back Playground
- 20.12.17** Last day of Term 2
- 04.01.18** First day of Term 3



Year Six

Walnut
and
Willow



Newsletter Term Two

A MONSTER CALLS - PATRICK NESS

Maths: This term, pupils will focus on fractions. The term begins with simplifying, ordering and comparing fractions using their knowledge of common factors and multiples. They will then move onto adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. To finish the term, the pupils will learn how to multiply and divide fractions by whole numbers and then move onto make comparisons between fractions, decimals and percentages. Throughout the term, we will continue to have a focus on times tables strategies, mental arithmetic and use the wide range of activities on Mathletics. Those that support the learning this term are located under the 'Fractions', 'Fractions Calculating' and 'Decimal and Percentages' headings.

English: This term in English the pupils will be studying the text A Monster Calls. By ex-

ploring this exciting text the pupils will develop their knowledge of non-chronological report writing, adventure stories as well as poetry linked to monsters and light and dark.

Science: In the Learning Journey, children will be developing their understanding of light and dark. Children will then complete a number of tasks such as learning how light travels in straight lines, understand how we see different colours and how shadows are created and how they can be changed.

History: The term begins with an introduction of crime and punishment from the Romans to the 21st Century. Pupils will explore how Britain changed after the Romans left and look at the Anglo-Saxon and Viking system of paying wergild, as well as other punishments. Pupils will then choose punishments for

particular crimes and explore the story of Robin Hood. We will then move onto explore medieval and Tudor crimes and punishments. The pupils will explore some of the reasons for changes in crimes, such as the introduction of Forest Law and the closing of the monasteries. They will then compare medieval and Tudor crime and punishment and look at specific examples from different viewpoints. After finding out more about the Gunpowder Plot, highwaymen, poachers and smuggler, the pupils will then look at some societal changes during the Victorian period and some of the crimes that came with this relating to industrialisation and political changes. They will explore punishments such as transportation and use 'Oliver Twist' as the basis for studying child criminality.



ART: This term in art the pupils will be investing light and dark, linked to their science learning. They will be exploring shadows and patterns as well as developing their understanding of the famous artist and photographer Man Ray. Through this study the pupils will think carefully about shading and layering techniques in order to create imagery as well as being introduced to processes that were once used in dark room photography.

PSHEe: The theme this term is 'Getting on and Falling Out'. The pupils will learn how to resolve conflict through working together and communicating effectively with each other. They will be able to identify different emotions that they are feeling as well as understand that they are responsible for the choices they make.

RE: Year 6 are delving into different beliefs! Pupils will begin RE this term by exploring the similarities and differ-

ences between themselves, their friends and their family. They will then move on to a series of discussions and debates relating to how strongly they feel about a number of world topics and issues. As the term progresses, pupils will have the opportunity to examine different Christian & catholic beliefs by examining Apostle's Creed and retelling the story of the resurrection.