

Woodcote Primary School

Year 5/6 Curriculum Fact Sheet

Autumn 2016

This sheet gives you some information about some of the work your children will be involved in during this term. It would be very difficult to detail everything so we have just included those topics which we feel are the most relevant and those in which you could support your child's learning.

<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> 	<p>This term we shall be writing in different genres including: formal, explanation, instructions, poetry and creative writing. The children will continue to have weekly guided reading sessions alongside English comprehension lessons. Grammar, punctuation and spelling will continue to be taught within lessons. Your child will have weekly spellings that they are expected to work on, by including them in their writing not just learn how to spell for the test! Last but not least, please read with your child whenever possible. It does not have to always be from reading books as they need to learn the necessary skills in daily life, which may involve reading a bus timetable or instructions on food packets etc.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> 	<p>Years 5 & 6 will continue with the new curriculum which will involve a greater emphasis being placed on 'Fluency, Reasoning and Problem Solving'. Number and Place Value alongside using and applying different calculation methods for the four main operations will be the main focus for this term. However, both year groups need to be secure with their times tables knowledge and will be tested regularly to help them develop their fluency and understanding. Please also help your child with the everyday maths skills required (money, telling the time) as well as helping them to understand equivalencies between fractions, decimals and percentages.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> 	<p>The Science topics for this term are 'Animals, including humans' and 'Living things and their habitats'. These areas will tie in with our main topic, which relates to animals. The children will continue to conduct and write up investigations involving predicting the outcome and explaining their results in the conclusion. We will also be focussing on using the correct scientific terminology to help build up the children's vocabulary.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Topic (this includes all foundation subjects)</p> 	<p>Our topic for this term is called 'Walk on the wild side' which will relate to animals and their habitats. We will be visiting Twycross Zoo this half term to help the children understand more about a wider variety of animals, their natural habitats and the countries they originate from. We will also explore art from different cultures and, in D.T., the children will make a moving animal using cams. French, Music and ICT will continue to be taught on a weekly basis linking with our topic where possible.</p>
	<p>Please encourage your child to check that they have the relevant materials required each day. They will also need a full, named PE kit in school at all times including items suitable for indoor and outdoor sessions. Year 6 will have weekly swimming sessions during the first half term; Year 5 will swim in the second half of the Autumn Term. If you need any more information about our learning in Year 5/6, or just need something clarifying please speak to one of us. Thank you for all of your support: Mrs Blythe, Mrs Molotnikoff, Mrs Canner and Mrs Gail.</p>