



With trust and care we will grow and flourish

Year 6 Parents Information Booklet

Spring Term 2020

At Pear Tree Junior School, we believe that learning is a two-way partnership, involving school and home. We hope this leaflet will answer some of your questions as your child learns in Year 6 and gives you some ideas of ways to help at home!

Inside this booklet you will see what your child is studying this half term. Please take time to read through and discuss this with you child.

Should you require any further information about the curriculum or any other queries please ask to speak to a member of staff.

Teaching Staff

Class: Royce

Teacher: Mr Miah

Class: Nightingale

Teacher: Miss Farrell

Class: Arkwright

Teacher: Mrs Belleh

Year 6 additional teaching staff

Mrs Gibb, Mrs Campbell

Mrs Pratt, Mrs Batsford

Mrs Mayat and Mrs Burdis

Homework

Maths and SPAG homework will be given out each Friday and will be expected in the following Tuesday. Children are encouraged to complete the homework to further consolidate their learning.

Knowledge Organisers

At Pear Tree we have introduced Knowledge Organisers (KOs) in class and as homework to help children to learn the essential knowledge they need for each topic they study. A Knowledge Organiser sets out in detail what we want children to know by heart by the end of the topic. We expect the majority of children to be able to recall all of the information on the KO by the end of the topic.

Reading

Your child will have a home school learning log and reading book, which will need to be taken home and returned to school every day. Your child should read at home every day and an adult will need to sign the learning log to show that your child has read to an adult. Reading diaries and logs will be checked every week.

PE Kits

Your child will need correct PE kit. As the weather gets colder, we will allow children to wear dark jogging bottoms. We will be doing PE every week.

Please ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform everyday. Make sure that all clothing is clearly labelled.

Websites to help

BBC Bitesize / Bug Club / Times Tables Rock Stars

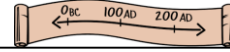
Science

In Science we will be learning about Electricity. We will explore a range of different types of circuits, their associated diagrams as well as key vocabulary connected with Electricity.



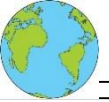
History

In history we will learn about how Japan was involved in the Second World War, Pearl Harbour and the Hiroshima bombing.



Geography

In geography we will learn about the make up of Japan, its islands, mountains, rivers. We will also learn about earthquakes as the country is vulnerable to them.



Shared Reading

We will be reading Kensuke's Kingdom. We will be looking at a variety of videos, images songs and extracts from texts to build our comprehension skills.



Enrichment

The children will take part in a Fire Safety workshop. The children will have a session with Jumping Clay!



Outcome

Understand how to work towards a goal. Improve our reading, writing and mathematical skills.



Maths

In maths we will: Improve fluency through daily arithmetic practise. Calculate, convert and read measures: angles, 3d nets and circles. Applying reasoning skills to solve problems. SATs practise. Practise times tables at home using Times Tables Rock Stars.

Writing Opportunities

We will write: A newspaper report about the disappearance of Michael – the main character in our text. A speech debating the rights and wrongs of using nuclear weapons.



Key Text

Kensuke's Kingdom
By Michael Morpurgo



Year 6 Spring 1

Key Question/Topic: What does it take to achieve your goals?

PSHE

In PSHE we will be considering our dreams and goals for now and the future. We will look at the steps we need to take to reach them.



Learning Together

We will be focusing on aiming high. We will look at famous and local role models and how we can learn from them, setting ourselves personal challenges.



Music

In music we will study Taiko - a form of drumming used in Japan to motivate their troops before going into battle.



Computing

In computing we will continue to learn about algorithms and commands.



Art/DT

In art we will study Japanese art forms: origami and manga. We will also produce calligraphy.



PE

In PE we will be playing invasion games – tag rugby.



Languages

We will continue to learn key words and how to hold a basic conversation in French.



RE

We will learn about the different sacred texts and how they are similar and different across a range of religions.

