

CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR SCHOOL

YEAR 6 SUMMER TERM 2022

We hope that you enjoyed a restful Easter break. The children have certainly all come back to school full of enthusiasm and with vivid stories about the exciting times they had.

This year is going so fast; it is hard to believe that in such a short time your children will be leaving us. However, this is going to be a busy term for Year 6 and the children will need to maintain the high levels of commitment and dedication to their learning that they have demonstrated so far this year.

ENGLISH

After focussing on our reading and SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) skills we will be reading, writing and analysing a variety of different text types with the focus on choosing an appropriate style to suit the audience and text type. The children will also be writing persuasive letters for our careers fair . In addition, the children will be creating informative and persuasive tourism leaflets.

MATHEMATICS

Children will focus on developing and extending their ability to use and apply the maths skills that they have been taught. Through problem solving, investigations and maths challenges, children will be encouraged to apply their mathematical knowledge and develop their awareness of maths in real-world contexts. In addition, the children will be prepared to ensure they are ready for transition to Y7 maths.

As ever, it is important that children are encouraged to practise their maths at home in real life situations, e.g. telling the time (on both digital and analogue clocks), working out time intervals, measuring and converting measurements and working out prices and change.

COMPUTING

This term the children will be coding using Scratch and Python. In addition to this we will continue our studies on how to stay safe online and when using applications, games and social media.

GEOGRAPHY and HISTORY

In Geography the children will be learning map reading skills and undertaking a local study. In History, the children will be studying civil rights movements in America in the 20th century looking at the significance of inspirational figures such as Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. They will also be examining the legacy of the early civil rights campaigners on the recent Black Lives Matter movement.

SPANISH / FRENCH

This will be taught by MFL teachers from Twynham School who will continue to increase the children's vocabulary and their use of this in conversation as well as learning more about Spanish /French culture.

ART and D&T

The children will be exploring optical illusions using a wide range of artists focussing on drawing and textile skills.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will be investigating the key question, “does belief in Akhirah help Muslims lead good lives.” This will take place during weekly focussed lessons.

SCIENCE

In science the children will be learning about life cycles before moving towards a transition project with Twynham secondary school. This will include specialist teaching from our secondary colleagues. Amongst these topics, the children will be undertaking many science experiments to explore their skills in working scientifically.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND GAMES

This will continue on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursday. Outdoor games will include athletics, cricket and rounders. Please ensure that PE kits and trainers are in school at all times. Earrings must either be removed or covered with tape supplied from home.

HOME LEARNING

In order to consolidate the children’s learning, home learning tasks will continue to be set each week from the children’s CGP books. The timetable for these tasks is as follows:

Maths and reading CGP – set on Friday and due in on the following Friday

Spelling – set on Friday and due in on the following Friday

Reading— In line with school policy, it is expected that all children in Y6 read 4 times per week at home.

It is also vitally important that children read regularly at home and practise their times tables and associated division facts. Again, they are encouraged to gain their multiplication and division badges as well as playing Times Tables Rock Stars. Additionally, we encourage all children to use Reading Plus as often as possible.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- w/c Monday 9th May Year 6 National Curriculum tests (Monday – Thursday)
- June— Twynham’s CAT tests
- Wednesday 15th June – Y7 transition poetry event
- 1st July – Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Day
- 15th July—Sports Day
- w/c 18th July Chessington World of Adventures (all Y6 classes)

Thank you once again for all your support so far this year. If you have any concerns or queries regarding your child’s education or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to speak to your child’s teacher. We look forward to a happy and successful Summer Term.

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