

Stag Class

Our learning theme for this half term is...

Crime and Punishment

Our focus will be on how crime and punishment has changed over time. Many of our subjects will be accessed through or related to this theme. Some subjects, such as maths, will continue to be taught separately.

In English, we will be reading the book Holes by Louis Sachar. This book ties in well with our theme and will give the class plenty of opportunities to talk about crime and punishment. Towards the end of the term, the class will read A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. We will spend time studying the language and phrasing used.

In Maths, we will be working on problem solving using a range of mathematical operations. After that, we will be working on solving problems involving fractions before looking at different units of metric and imperial measure.

In History, the class will be learning about crime and punishment through history. This unit of work will be looking at how crime and punishment has changed through different eras, both in the UK and internationally. We will be discussing the reasoning behind punishments and how human perception and opinion of punishments has changed.

Links to Prior Learning

We will be reviewing our previous scientific knowledge of Light and Shadow before conducting our own investigations.

In our history lessons we will be learning about different periods of time in British history, so should be able to recall key events and eras that have previously been studied.

Reminders:

Please ensure your child brings their reading book and journal to school each day as there will be opportunities most days to read or add to their journals.

PE will be on Thursdays when we will be doing Dance. We are very lucky to have a dance teacher coming in to teach the lessons. Please make sure you send your child to school wearing their PE kit.

As part of our healthy eating approach, we do not allow squash or flavoured water in school, so please ensure your child has only water in their bottle. If your child would like a snack at break times, we ask that you send them to school with fresh fruit or vegetables to promote a healthy diet.



Homework

Your child will soon be bringing home some homework books. They will have a revision book which they can use to help them with the weekly task, as well as to aid them with revision for SATS. They will be set tasks in the Maths and English test books for most weeks and there will occasionally be other homework tasks set. Please also ensure your child spends time each week reading and practising both their times tables and words from the Year 5/6 spelling lists previously sent home.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to come and speak with me. Thank you in advance for your support.

Mr Cocks

Our focus in DT will be on creating games using a range of materials and technology. We will try to include electrical circuits in our games.

In Science, our focus will be on light and shadow. We will investigate how light travels and creates shadow, and how we are able to see different colours.

On Thursday mornings each week Mrs Slingsby will be working with the class teaching RE, PSHE and Music.

Dates for your diary:

Pony Academy – **weeks beginning 4th, 11th, 18th November**

Year 6 after school bake sale (information to be sent home soon)
– **Thursday 28th November**

Christmas Jumper Day – **Thursday 19th December**

Last day of term – **Friday 20th December**