

Stag Class

Our learning theme for this half term is...

Why does population change?

Our focus will be on the changing population around the world, looking at how it has changed over time and the reasons behind it. Many of our subjects will be accessed through this theme. Some subjects, such as maths, will continue to be taught separately.

In English, we will be looking at a book called The Arrival by Shaun Tan. The class will be using it as inspiration for their own stories, looking particularly at the use of description.

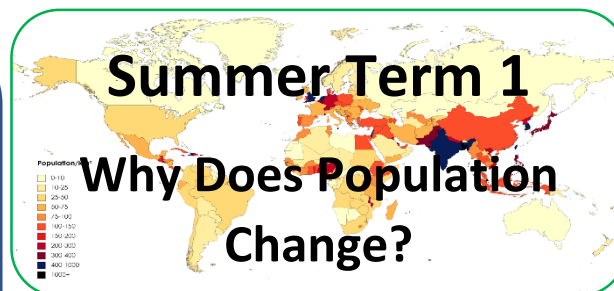
In Maths, we will be looking at shape for the first two weeks. This will include 2D and 3D shapes as well as accurately measuring and calculating the angles within them. We will then spend a week working on position and direction. This includes mapping points on charts using coordinates and quadrants.

In Geography, we will be studying population change around the world. This will give us an opportunity to look at how it has changed throughout history and inspect the reasons behind this. We will touch on reasons for population growth including resources, healthcare and immigration.

Links to Prior Learning

We will be reviewing our previous scientific knowledge of biology and nature to study classification of plants and animals.

In our Geography lessons we will be calling back on learning from previous history lessons to inform our understanding about why populations around the world have grown.



Summer Term 1

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Our focus in Art will be on drawing and painting. This will largely be left for the week after SATs where we can spend a good deal of time working on different skills within these.

In Science, our focus will be on classification. This follows on well from our previous work on Darwin, to study how animals and plants are classified.

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

Reminders

PE will be on Tuesdays and Fridays. On Tuesdays we will be doing fitness based sessions and on Friday we will be playing tennis. Both sessions will be outside unless the weather prevents this.

SATs are coming up this half term and we will obviously be spending more time revising and checking over things in the next couple of weeks. More information will be sent out over the next couple of weeks for you regarding SATs week.

Our intention is for the children to give their best effort without feeling too stressed and worried about this. We are all looking forward to getting through the next few weeks and enjoying the remaining time we have in Year 6.

Homework

Over the next couple of weeks, I will be sending homework based on some of the SATs style questions that may prove tricky. Please take them time to talk through these questions with your child to help their understanding of how to solve them.

Please encourage your child to continue reading as often as possible and to keep practising times tables so that they remain fluent with them.

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

Dates for your diary:

5th May – **Bank Holiday**

12th - 15th May – **SATs**

23rd May – **Last day before half term**