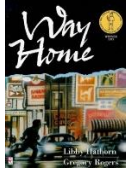






Year 6 Newsletter Spring 1



Core text(s) for English and Reading	<p>Way Home Author: Libby Hathorn</p> 
Reading for pleasure	<p>Holes Louis Sachar</p>
Focus areas for English/outcomes	<p>Diary entry Narrative – describe setting, character and atmosphere Biography Non-chronological report – leaflet</p>
Grammar focus	<p>Commas in a list Adverbials, conjunctions and synonyms for cohesion Inverted commas Passive voice including subject, object and passive verbs Expanded noun phrases: adjectives, nouns and determiners Contracted forms in dialogue Formal and informal tone</p>
Maths focus areas	<p>Fractions, decimals and percentages: to recognise and order simple fractions as decimals and percentages, to find a percentage of an amount and use this to find missing values. Ratio: to explore the relationships between numbers using the terms 'additive and multiplicative', represent ratio as a fraction, use scale factors to describe enlargements of shapes, solving problems using this knowledge. Geometry: compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes, use the properties of rectangles to deduce related facts and find missing lengths and angles, describe positions on a 2-D grid as coordinates in all 4 quadrants, recognise and use reflections and translations.</p>
Foundation subjects	<p>Geography: To compare the physical and human features of several areas of the USA; to explore the food that is grown and its challenges. History: The Battle of Britain and The Blitz Science: Evolution and Inheritance: inherited traits, animal and plant adaptations, fossils and what they can tell us, the theory of evolution Computing: Spreadsheets: to recognise and apply the formula required to create a spreadsheet Music: You've Got a Friend and The Music of Carol King Art: Exploring Identity: to use sketchbooks to explore observational drawing, refine ideas and use materials to add layering R.E.: Can people come back to life? Philosophy based look at Buddhism and Christianity</p>

	<p>PSHE: <i>Living in the Wider World</i>: to explore themes related to online content, to learn about the role that money plays in people's lives and the attitudes and emotions surrounding it</p>
<p>PE day (and kit expectations)</p>	<p>Your child will take part in a PE lesson every Monday. Your child should wear their PE kit to school, with their school jumper on top. The PE kit should consist of a pale blue T-shirt or polo shirt, plain navy bottoms and plimsolls/trainers. The uniform letter can be found here. The school has to teach the National Curriculum and PE is a vital element of this. Participating regularly in physical activity is important to develop habits for a healthy adult life.</p>
<p>Any key dates i.e., special events</p>	<p>Class Assembly: 19th January at 9am (parents invited) TT Rockstars Day: 26th January Historical tour of Kenley Airfield as a Battle of Britain Airfield: Monday 29th January (weather permitting)</p>
<p>Ways to help at home:</p> 	<p>Reading: Aim to read with your child as often as you can (ideally every night). It is important that your child is able to read fluently at a speed of 110 words per minute to reach expected levels in reading. Aim for 20 minutes per night. Please also make time to discuss what has been read – it helps to further develop understanding and correct any misconceptions about the plot or the characters.</p> <p>Spelling: Please support and encourage your child to learn the spellings from the Y3/4/5/6 statutory spellings lists (these will be sent home at the end of the first week).</p> <p>Maths: Please encourage your child to visit 'Times Table Rockstars' regularly. It is important that they can recall number facts at speed as this will really aid them with their Maths work.</p> <p>Homework: Each week there will be set Maths, Grammar and Reading homework. This will be set every Thursday to be returned the following Tuesday. All work set will be an extension of work that is covered within class and as such will reinforce this learning. There will be a homework club every Wednesday lunchtime where research can be carried out or Times Table Rockstars can be completed.</p>
 	
<p>Mrs Hulatt (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) Mrs Smy (Monday and Friday)</p>	<p>Miss LeMasson</p>

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