

## CLASS 6 LEARNING OVERVIEW – AUTUMN 2021

English	Maths	Topic: CHARLES DICKENS	Other Curriculum Areas	What You Can Do To Help Your Child This Term
<p><u>Reading:</u> The children will obviously be reading some of the works of Charles Dickens this term, looking at various versions of his texts and different adaptations of his work, both written and film forms. Children will continue to develop their comprehension skills through detailed discussion of their reading, and there will be a clear focus on building inferences, reading between the lines of a text to help form meaning and opinions.</p> <p><u>Writing:</u> Using what they have learnt from their reading, children will be writing descriptions of cruel characters and sinister settings. They will work towards producing their own Victorian book from scratch.</p> <p><u>SPaG:</u> It is important that the children use accurate and appropriate spelling, punctuation and grammar in their work as well as learning new rules and patterns for when various devices are used.</p>	<p>The children will spend much of the first half term focused on working on their number skills, looking at developing an appropriate method for all four operations in written and mental calculations.</p> <p>We will look at problem solving, reasoning and then move on to spending some time focusing on fractions. The children will build on the knowledge they already have to learn how to correctly operate with fractions and use them to solve a wide range of problems.</p> <p>We will then move on to looking at geometry, shape, space and measure in the second half term; using various mathematical tools and instruments to work on problems with increasing accuracy.</p> <p>The children will also learn how to use coordinates in all four quadrants and recognise specific terms for the transformation of shapes on a grid.</p>	<p>The children will be looking at all things Victorian, focusing on the life and times of Charles Dickens.</p> <p><u>History</u> – The reign of Queen Victoria, Victorian life, school in Victorian times, work houses, the rich / poor divide and the Industrial Revolution.</p> <p><u>Geography</u> – How the landscape of the country changed because of industry and the difference between urban and rural lifestyles.</p> <p><u>Art</u> – Children will look at the work of William Morris and will produce their own printed and drawn patterns inspired by his work as well as charcoal drawings in the style of Lowry.</p> <p><u>DT</u> – The children will be making their own books, marbling the pages before binding and finishing them to make them look authentically Victorian. Children will also work on making models of a Victorian stately home.</p> <p><u>Music</u> – Composition to suit different Dickensian scenes and moments.</p> <p><u>Computing</u> – We will be looking at e-safety and using spreadsheets. The children will also be using their ICT skills across the curriculum.</p>	<p><u>Science</u> – The main focus of the curriculum in our science lessons at the beginning will be all things electricity. The children will learn circuit symbols, how to construct working circuits and the hazards surrounding electricity in the home and their surroundings. We will then be looking at Darwin’s work, inheritance and variation. The children will engage in both practical and theoretical lessons and conduct research and experiments on the topics we cover.</p> <p><u>PE</u> – The children will have games and PE lessons throughout the term and will be competing in competitions outside of school.</p> <p><u>RE</u> – The children will look at 2 units from the RE curriculum this term: Humanism and The Christmas Story.</p> <p><u>MFL</u> – Children will be learning a new language from this year, we will be starting Spanish in class. The children will be learning how to meet and greet in Spanish before moving on to talking about themselves and the classroom environment.</p>	<p>As you are aware, the children will be sitting statutory assessments in May. Whilst these shouldn’t cause too much stress and anxiety, it is important that the children are prepared and know what to expect.</p> <p>The children should practice and learn their times tables fully and develop their mental maths skills.</p> <p>Furthermore it is important that the children read each night and are regularly questioned on what they’ve read to help improve their comprehension.</p> <p>Finally, children should be encouraged to complete their homework fully and hand it in on time on a weekly basis. Similarly, when revision is set, it is important that the children are using the resources they’re given to help them fully.</p> 

### Advance Trip Notification

Please keep an eye out for letters detailing any upcoming trips for this term.

### PE

PE will be on Monday and Wednesday this term. Please make sure that your child comes to school in their PE kits on these days and to look out on the newsletter for any changes.

### Homework / Spellings

The children will have weekly English and maths homework set by their teachers in these subjects. There is also a half-termly topic based project piece to be completed.

As always, if anyone has any questions or queries regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Likewise if any parents feel they have an expertise knowledge or particular interest in any aspect of what we are covering I would love to hear from you.

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