## Maths

Year 6 will consolidate work from previous terms on fractions and percentages and focus on, area and perimeter and statistics in Power Maths this term We will continue to practise arithmetic skills daily and give year 6 opportunities of working time constraints – please keep working on fast times tables recall. Remember, if you need support with the work set on My Maths or the work you have been doing in the CPG revision books, please ask and we will go through these with you. Year 5 will continue to work through the Power maths programme.

# **English**

Our topic this term is The Environment and we will be looking at creatures – both imaginary and real. We will study the book: Malamander by Thomas Taylor and look at extracts from classic texts such as The Hound of the Baskervilles and The Jungle book. We will also look at animal poetry and environmental issues.

## Science

This term we will look at animals and their habitats and environmental science including the concept of evolution and Darwin's theory of 'survival of the fittest.' We will also look at what we can do to help conserve the variety of life on Earth.

## **Humanities**

We will look at map reading and compare different locations in the UK namely Morley and the Isle of Wight. We will look at differences in the environment and also human geography and the history of each area. This will be particularly relevant for those who are visiting the Isle of Wight with us this term but equally interesting for those who are not.

### French

We will continue to use Rigolo, looking at building vocabulary and confidence.

### P.E.

We will be doing cricket, rounders and athletics this term. We will be outside for most days so can you please bring a change of footwear to avoid bringing mud into the school. Thank you.

#### **PSHE**

This term we will look at wellbeing, keeping safe by water and completing the SRE programme which includes areas of safety on and appropriate use of the internet.

# Art/DT

In art, we will be initially looking at the art of Maths and using this to support our revision of shape. We will also look at natural art and modelling. We will

create our own marketing for food technology.

### Music

We will study performance and rhythm alongside the end of year performance.

## Computing

In addition to online safety, the children will use the programme Scratch to create their own games and simulations.

For more detail on the topics we will be covering, please refer to the knowledge organisers on the web page and Google Classroom.

#### R.E

This term we study Islam and investigate how being a Muslim affects how people live their lives.

Homework – Weekly spellings and maths will continue to be set on Spelling Frame and My Maths. (The children were set 8 tasks up to the start of this term which related to areas they may have found more difficult on their own assessment.) Written tasks will also be set on the Google Classroom and will link to this term's topics. Some of our high schools also like to set a topic for children joining so we will obviously take this into account for these children.

These are the dates for the KS2 SATs papers this year. Mr Phoenix will continue to run his Friday booster sessions up until SATs week. If you have any concerns, please do come in and speak to me at the end of the school day.

#### **Key Stage 2 SATS**

- Monday 13th May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- Tuesday 14th May: English reading paper
- Wednesday 15th May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- Thursday 16th: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

#### **Key Stage 2 SATs**

We do not want your child to be unduly worried about these assessment tests and a lot of children actually quite enjoy SATs week. However, children can find this week tiring. We want all the children to do their best so early nights and breakfast will be beneficial. Please ensure that your child is in school on time.

If your child is worried about a certain area, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am usually available at the end of the school day and more than happy to go over anything, which may be causing anxiety.

#### Year 6 Kindness Challenge

Many of you will be aware of the Year 6 Kindness Challenge. We will be planning this after the Key Stage 2 SATs. For those of you who are not familiar with this, the children carry out an enterprise in the aim of collecting money for charity. This year, we will be collecting for a limited number of charities as a whole year group so if there is something you or your family would particularly like to support, we will be inviting children to put forward their suggestions with the reasons why these charities are special to them.

We are particularly keen to support smaller (more local charities) who may find it harder to get funding.

#### **Isle of Wight Residential** - 1st – 5th July

For those children attending the Year 6 residential, we will be organising a parents meeting and sending home the itinerary and kit list this term. Dates to be confirmed in the news letter.