

### **Life Skills**

This term children in year 6 will be focusing on financial capabilities. This will involve the children working towards a business project for Halloween, which will involve decision making, budgeting, planning and making a profit. Year 6 pupil will set up their own stalls and sell different Hallowe'en themed products.

### **History and Geography**

Children will study Ancient Greece. In this term they will look at what primary and secondary evidence tells us about their lifestyles, customs and beliefs; pupils will also gather their own research throughout the term using the internet.

In Geography, children will study contrasting environments, with a particular focus on polar and desert regions.

**Art** This term the topic in art is 'People in Art'. The children will study techniques used by different artists such as Picasso, Kandinsky and Hogarth. Children will create their own pictures in the style of these artists and explore different mediums.

### **R.E**

Christianity will be taught this term. We will be looking at how the beliefs of Christians influence their actions and also the epiphany leading up to Christmas.

### **Music**

Children will listen and perform to a range of music genres including classical, blues and jazz. They will study musicians such as Mozart, BB King and Louis Armstrong. They will improvise their own rhythms and will sing in 2 parts.

**P.E.** This year in .PE, pupils will still be taught a P.E lesson by Newcastle United Football Club and a swimming lesson each Tuesday. In P.E, ball games such as football, rugby and tennis will be taught. Children need full P.E kits in school at all times. P.E lessons will take place on Monday afternoons and swimming is throughout a Tuesday. Other sports opportunities will occur throughout the term and SAQ when possible, therefore P.E kits need to still be available all week.



# Annfield Plain Junior School

**Year 6**  
**Autumn Term 2021**  
**Mrs Dorward**



## English

Texts in literacy will include autobiographies, biographies, non-chronological reports, war poems and extracts from William Shakespeare. Children will read a range of texts to distinguish the features, looking at both the language and style of the text.

A range of novels and poems by long established authors will also be studied. 'Wonder' by R.J. Palacio will be the class novel for the first half term. Other authors we will study are Shakespeare and War Poems.

In year 6 we will be focusing daily on punctuation and grammar. Children will be given a range of spellings each week to learn, which will improve their vocabulary and the quality of their writing.

We ask parents to hear children read out loud at least 5 times per week and sign their child's home school record book. This will greatly benefit your child's progress. Please note all children need to get 3 signatures per week to gain house points.

## Maths

The following topics will be concentrated on this term;

- Place Value,
- All four number strategies,
- Shape and space,
- Data handling,
- Real life problems,
- Fractions and decimals,
- Mental arithmetic will be a big focus throughout the year.
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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

Homework will be given out on a Wednesday to be returned on Monday. Spellings will also be sent home on a Wednesday.

## Science

Year 6 will be learning about the human body, how our body functions and how the blood circulates around our body. Throughout this term we will predict, test and draw up conclusions from different investigations. We will also be learning about evolution and inheritance.

In the second half term we will learn about body health and ways to stay healthy, also testing previous science knowledge.

**I.C.T** This term will be focused on internet safety, using passwords and discussing social media websites. Children will also study coding and will have the opportunity to use SamLabs. However, word processing skills will also be a focus in English, quality and speed, assessing children's ability and their typing skills. Also, children will use a search engine to research for topics in other areas of the curriculum. Children will continue using the interactive whiteboard and power point will be used in some lessons to present ideas to others. Children will also be given the opportunity to use the online ReadingPlus, Timestable Rockstars programmes.

## Homework

In Year 6, homework will be given out on a Wednesday and the children will be asked to return it for a Monday. This allows your child to come and see me with any problems prior to the due date.

To help your child achieve their full potential during their SATs year, it would be greatly beneficial for your child to read on a regular basis (at least 5 times a week) and return their reading record book daily, learn spellings and practise their times tables at home. Reading for pleasure books are also to be changed each Thursday.

If you have any queries about anything please do not hesitate to contact me, my door is always open to discuss anything.

Mrs Dorward