**PE**

In PE, we will be developing our invasion and defending skills through creative games. We will refine our passing techniques and then explore what makes successful passes. PE will continue to be on a Tuesday(6B)/ Friday(6O) and children must come to school in their full PE kit and black/white trainers. If for any reason they cannot participate in PE, please let the class teacher know.

**Humanities**

In History this half term we will be studying WWII. We will look at how and why the war began and progressed and how it affected lives in Britain. We will also explore some of the atrocities committed during this time and the lessons learnt. In Geography we will continue to explore biomes, focusing primarily on grassland biomes.

**The Arts**

In Music this half term, our new topic is **‘**Journeys’ and in French we are studying ‘Les Weekend’. Our artwork will focus on portraits and we will continue practising some of our mixed media skills.

**ICT**

In ICT we will be looking at how we can present information using a spreadsheet. The children will learn how to sort information, refine and and formulate information using a spreadsheet. We will also begin exploring how to code.

**‘Seeking Growth Together’**

Our work this half term will focus on the lead up to Christmas-an important part of the Liturgical Calendar. We will be looking at prayer in the life of Jesus, moving on to the Feast of Christ the King and eventually Advent.

**Science**

Our topic this half term will be looking at **‘Living Things and Classification.** The objectives for this topic are to:

* Describe how **living things** are **classified** into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and **animals**
* Give reasons for **classifying** plants and **animals** based on specific characteristics.

**Maths**

This half term we will be continuing securing key arithmetic skills. The children complete a 30 questions arithmetic test daily *(yes daily!)* and their scores are improving rapidly. This will boost their confidence in Maths as when faced with a reasoning question they have the confidence in the application of the skill.

We will also be revising and deepening their knowledge of fractions and the children will be taught to:

* *Add and subtract fractions*
* *Multiply and divide fractions*
* *Convert from mixed number to improper fractions*
* *Solve fraction problems.*

**English**

During Autumn 2nd in English we will focussing heavily on securing our SPaG skills to enable us to become confident writers. We will be reading Goodnight Mister Tom to links to our World War 2 topic. This allows cross-curricular learning opportunities where we can deepen their knowledge about their history topic. The children will be writing a diary entry from the perspective of a child in war times and their final writing task this half term they will plan and write their own story based in the time of WW2. As always, we are reading out children about the importance of reading. We have recently purchased a wide selection of high-quality books for the children – *we want them to love reading as much as we do!*

**Home Learning Platforms**

We will continue to be using **Microsoft Teams** to upload homework assignments for your child to complete. Homework assignments are set on a Thursday and are expected to be uploaded onto Teams by the following Thursday.

Your child should also be accessing **Spelling Shed and Purple Mash** as much as possible at home. These are all excellent platforms to assist your child’s learning. I If you can’t get onto teams please let your child’s teacher know as soon as possible.