

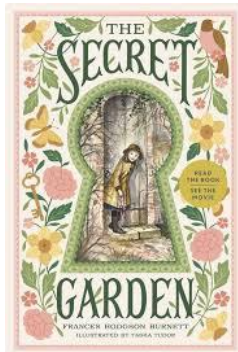
Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023

Welcome back to school and to Year 6! I am very looking forward to working with you all, as your child begins their final year at Christ Church Charnock Richard CE Primary School. You will receive a class newsletter at the beginning of every term where you will find out all about what Year 6 will be covering.

English

We will be starting the term with a text-based unit based on the book, *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett. We will be writing a new chapter for the classic story, completing hot seating activities which involves taking on the role of one of the characters from the story, have a debate and use drama to empathise with the characters feelings.



We will be analysing different fiction genres and writing a short story in the style of horror at the end of the unit. We will also be going on a quest adventure in the woodland garden to provide us with inspiration for writing our own quest adventure story.

Our class novels are *Letters from the Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll and *The Day I was Erased* by Lisa Thompson.

Other units we will cover this term are: biography and poems with imagery.

How can you help? Encourage your child to read x3 sessions a week for 30 minutes both fiction and non-fiction. Regularly, practise the y5/6 spellings.

Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on place value including decimals; mental and written addition, subtraction, division and multiplication calculations. We will be learning about fractions and percentages.

How can you help? Regularly go onto TT Rock Stars and practise in garage and jamming areas. Also, complete x2 sound checks a week. Every Monday there will be a multiplication challenge in school.



History: What does census tell us about the local area?



The children will study census to make inferences about people from the past and how their lives have changed.

Computing

The children will be creating advanced power points and sharpen their keyboard skills.

Geography: An introductory study of Europe (HWK link)

Science The children will cover the topic: All Living Things and Habitats. (Autumn 2)

Art The children will do an artist study on Rembrandt (self-portraits)

Assessments In Year 6 we have regular written assessments in the style of SATS papers - **please do not use any past SATS papers to practise at home.**

I will provide information about revision books at the SATs information night.

RE: The children will cover the units, Life as a Journey and Advent.

General Notices

Class dojo will continue and occasionally I will post messages/ reminders on there. You can message me but please be patient for my reply as I will be teaching - any urgent message should go through the school office **including absences or pick up arrangements.**

PE kits - blue shorts, white t-shirt and trainers. Also, children need an outdoor kit (blue or black tracksuit).

Please make sure your child's school uniform is **clearly labelled** with the child's full name including their PE Kit.

Homework will continue in the style of the grid, with a variety of tasks. This needs to be completed by Monday 4th December 2023.

This term, there will be a very important Year 6 meeting to provide information regarding SATS on Thursday 5th October at 4:00pm. It is highly recommended that you attend. Please put the date in your diary.

As always, if you have any questions, or if you would like any further guidance in supporting your child, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us!

Year 6 Team: Mr Barber & Miss Byrne