

## Curriculum Information Sheet Spring Term 2 2023-24 Class: Optimistic Owl & Courageous Canaries Year 6

THEMES	This term our learning is based around the theme of resilience and perseverance.	
ENGLISH	During the half term we will be studying <b>novels and stories by significant children's authors.</b> <b>Key text:</b> Kensuke's Kingdom	
	<ul> <li>SPAG:</li> <li>Cohesion – for newspaper article writing</li> <li>Figurative language for poetry</li> <li>Brackets and dashes for parenthesis</li> <li>Relative clauses</li> <li>Modal verbs</li> <li>Year 5/6 National Curriculum words</li> <li>Passive and Active voice</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>SPELLING:         <ul> <li>Revision (SATs practise)</li> </ul> </li> <li>WRITING (two-week cycle):         <ul> <li>Writing a short story imagining to have woken up on an island stranded.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>P&amp;A: To imagine what it would be like to be lost/ stranded. Writing for entertainment.</li> <li>For and Against balanced argument for sailing around the world</li> </ul>	
	<b>P&amp;A:</b> To help a character make a decision on what they should do when faced with a dilemma.	
	<ul> <li>Instructional writing: write instructions on how to survive on an island</li> <li>P&amp;A: To provide practical and realistic solutions to surviving on an island. Writing to inform.</li> </ul>	
	GUIDED READING     Vocabulary	
	<ul> <li>Retrieval</li> <li>Inference</li> <li>Prediction</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Explaining</li> <li>Summarising</li> <li>SATs practise test style questions</li> </ul>	
	SATS practise test style questions	

MATHS	Each week the children will be challenged on key areas of the Year 6 maths curriculum.	
	<ul> <li>We will be developing their skills in:</li> <li><u>Algebra:</u> <ul> <li>use simple formulae</li> <li>generate and describe linear number sequences</li> <li>express missing number problems algebraically</li> <li>find pairs of numbers that satisfy an equation with 2 unknowns</li> <li>enumerate possibilities of combinations of 2 variables</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Statistics:</u> <ul> <li>interpret and construct pie charts and line graphs and use these to solve problems</li> <li>calculate and interpret the mean as an average</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Ratio &amp; Proportion</li> <li>solve problems involving the relative sizes of 2 quantities</li> <li>solve problems involving the calculation of percentages and the use of percentages for comparison</li> <li>solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known or can be found</li> <li>solve problems involving unequal sharing and grouping using knowledge of fractions and multiples</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Geometry - Shapes</li> <li>draw 2-D shapes using given dimensions and angles</li> <li>recognise, describe and build simple 3-D shapes, including making nets</li> <li>compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes and find unknown angles in any triangles, quadrilaterals, and regular polygons</li> <li>illustrate and name parts of circles, including radius, diameter and circumference and know that the diameter is twice the radius</li> <li>recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles</li> </ul>	
SCIENCE	We will be learning about Electricity for our half term Science topic. There is an emphasis on asking scientific questions, developing investigative skills and writing up investigations. For our topic on Electricity we will be learning about:         Electricity         How can we alter the brightness of a bulb?         Can we compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches?         Can we use symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram?         Explanation texts; children explain how the circulatory system works	
	<ul> <li>Scientifc enquiry skills:         <ul> <li>Taking measurements, using a range of scientific equipment, with increasing accuracy and precision, taking repeat readings when appropriate</li> <li>Recording data and results of increasing complexity using scientific diagrams and labels, classification keys, tables, scatter graphs, bar and line graphs</li> <li>Using test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
ART	Photography & Digital art	
	Students will make a photomontage and experiment with different drawing surfaces as well as layering techniques.	

	They will analyse and describe the elements of other artists' work, e.g. the effect of colour or composition. They will be given the chance to develop personal, imaginative responses to a design brief, using sketchbooks and independent research.	
TOPIC WORK (Geography)	Study and compare places: region in the UK, Europe and North America.	
1	Throughout their Geography learning this half term we will be focusing on:	
	<ul> <li>Using Geographical skills and fieldwork.</li> <li>Students will be able to understand geographical similarities and differences through the study of human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a region in a European country, and a region within North or South America</li> <li>This study focuses on the Lake District, Tatra mountains in Poland and North America – Caribbean.</li> </ul>	
	describe and understand key aspects of physical geography,	
	Major mountains , Mountain climates, Mountain formations, Impact of tourism in different areas.	

Philosophy Religion and Ethics Education	PERFORMING ARTS
Focus:	<u>Music</u>
I OULS.	Samba/singing
Know, understand and appreciate the	
importance of critical thinking,	<ul> <li>Layering more complex syncopated</li> </ul>
philosophical thinking and personal insight	rhythms
(e.g. in their own lives). They will use a	Echo and call and response breaks
range of activities such as reading, debating	Signals – visual and aural
and talk partners.	<ul> <li>Brazilian song (incorporating instruments, recorders, ukuleles,</li> </ul>
<u>Computing</u> Spreadsheets	percussion).
This unit introduces the learners to	SANSKRIT
spreadsheets. They will be supported in	Reading & Writing:
organising data into columns and rows to	We will be building our Vocabulary bank by
create their own data set.	reading and translating a variety of
Students will be taught the importance of formatting data to support calculations,	stories and forming short sentences
while also being introduced to formulas	<b>Conversation:</b> We will be Identifying sound
and will begin to understand how they can	patterns of words and practising Numbers
be used to produce calculated data.	81 - 90
Students will also learn how to apply	
formulas that include a range of cells and	Storytime: Rosa goes to the city:
apply formulas to multiple cells by	We will be extending our Vocabulary Bank
duplicating them.	through story time.
	Scriptural Verse:

PE Samba Dance Students will perform movements selecting and applying choreography into a routine. Pupils will be able to use their bodies to perform technical movements with control	understanding their meaning. TRIPS & OTHER EVENTS Virtual writing workshop: 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2024-8 <sup>th</sup> March.
and rhythm. <u>Yoga &amp; Meditation</u>	
Children can choose mudra for meditation that is appropriate for present practise. Children should be now able to independently perform warmups and limbering.	
Surya Namaskar – each posture performed with accuracy and precision. Asanas: sarvangasna (shoulder stand), halasana (plough), Matsyasana (fish) postures performed well.	
P.E. – Wednesday for 6OO and Friday for 6CC	
Yoga-Monday for 600 Tuesday for 6CC	