



**Curriculum Information Sheet Autumn Term 1 2019-2020****Class: Optimistic Owl & Courageous Canaries Year 6**

THEMES	This term our learning is based around the theme of War - Then and Now
ENGLISH 	<p>During the half term we will be studying novels and stories by significant children's authors.</p> <p>Key text: The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne.</p> <p>We will be focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing linked to the key text and class theme (War - then and now)• Historical narrative, writing stories from the viewpoints of different characters• Fictional narrative writing techniques• Vocabulary, Spelling, Grammar, Reading and Comprehension• Modal verbs• Relative clauses• Using a colon to introduce a list• Using semi-colons• Fronted adverbials• Prefixes and suffixes• Use of dictionaries and thesauruses <p>Handwriting To write legibly, fluently and with increasing speed.</p> <p>Spelling All children will be given weekly spellings to practise based on the Year 5 and 6 in Appendix 2 SPAG curriculum and they will be tested on these.</p>
MATHS 	<p>Each week the children will be challenged on key areas of the Year 6 maths curriculum. The principal focus of mathematics teaching in upper key stage 2 is to ensure that pupils extend their understanding of the number system and place value to include larger integers. This should develop the connections that pupils make between addition and subtraction, multiplication and division with decimals and negative numbers.</p> <p>We will be developing their skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Securing number facts, place value and relationships• Problem solving using different operations• Adding and subtracting using mental strategies.• Multiplying and dividing numbers using various mental and written methods• Measuring and calculating length• Calculate area and perimeter using a formula• Reading and presenting information on charts, pictograms, carol diagrams, Venn diagrams, tally charts and line graphs.• Calculate mean
SCIENCE	<p>We will be learning about Evolution and Inheritance 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 Evolution and Inheritance we will be learning about:</p>



- How living things have changed overtime
- How offspring vary from their parents
- Describing how animals and plants adapt to suit their environment

The principal focus of Science teaching in upper Key Stage 2 is to enable pupils to broaden their scientific view of the world around them. They will do this through enquiries, taking measurements, recording data and results, exploring, talking about, testing, developing ideas about everyday phenomena and the relationships between living things and familiar environments. They will begin to develop their ideas about functions, relationships and interactions.

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Pupils will focus on the study the work of Henry Moore-Great Tube Shelter and create a Guernica of the Syrian War using various mediums.

**TOPIC WORK
(History)**



Our history topic for this half term is War - then and now

It is important that the children develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history, establishing clear narratives within and across the periods they study.

Throughout their History learning this half term we will be focusing on:

- The impact of WW1 & 2 on London.
- The 'Holocaust'
- Links to other countries and occupations of those countries.
- Extended chronological study- significant turning point in British history- the battle of Britain

Philosophy Religion and Ethics Education

Focus:

Pupils will learn, understand and appreciate the importance of critical thinking, philosophical thinking and personal insight (e.g in their own lives)

They will use a range of activities such as reading, debating and talk partners

PERFORMING ARTS

Music

All year 6 classes will be taught to sing and play musically with increasing confidence and control. Each class will have a 30mins music lesson each week

Drama

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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p><u>iSafe</u> staying safe around the world</p> <p>Using PowerPoint Children will be using internet to carry out research and create a presentation with power point. We will be developing their skills in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Editing, deleting and importing slides. • Changing the appearance of the slides. • Using special effects. • Working with pictures and master slides • Using action buttons and hyperlinks. • Adding speaker notes. 	<p>Inheritance. <i>Autumn 2: Class 6 Courageous Canaries</i> are working with performing arts company called ARTIS to developing their drama skills around the theme of 'Light'</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SANSKRIT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of all Alphabet with all Vowel combinations • Learn names of colours • The Greatest Treasure • Gita verse
<p style="text-align: center;">HEALTH & WELLBEING</p> <p>Physical Education In PE we will be developing skills for invasion games. We will plan and focus on co-ordination and developing teamwork and good sportsman ship through large ball games.</p> <p>Meditation Meditation is practiced in the morning and half way through the day to reflect on learning.</p> <p>Yoga This year in yoga, we will practise asanas taught previously, our focus will be to help children understand and practise the techniques of pranayama and simple meditation. They will learn about benefits of yoga as a holistic subject and how it will help and benefit through times of stress.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">TRIPS & OTHER EVENTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palaeoquest workshop (Evolution and Inheritance) Date: TBC • TFL London-to educate children about safe use of public transport - Date: TBC • RAF museum to complete the WW1 artefacts workshop - Date: TBC • Friday 13th September 2019 - Parent Curriculum Meetings (8:30 - 9:30 am) • Whole School Staff INSET- Friday 11th October 2019 (School closed for children)

Thank you

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