



Autumn Term 2018 – Year 6

Reading

Class Book – Room 13 by Robert Swindells.

We will be reading Room 13 by Robert Swindells and using the text to help focus on using inference skills to deduce character's thoughts and feelings and help explain actions. We will also be looking at a range of other example texts to help analyse the language that authors use and work out what some of the trickier words and phrases mean in the context of the writing. We will also be using Room 13 to generate more creative responses and focus more on our speaking, listening and performance skills.

Writing

We will begin by looking at using descriptive language in our writing (like extended noun phrases) and a wide range of conjunctions to help our writing flow and build cohesion. We will look at how we can use a greater range of punctuation to help extend our sentences and add more effect to our writing. We will use our learning to write descriptions, diary entries and short stories. We will also look at the difference between formal and informal language and how we can use more formality when writing letters. We will be using our learning from our Topic of 'Conflict' to share our views on whether it is ever right to fight and go to war in the form of a balanced argument and also persuade people to bring war to an end.

Maths

In Maths we will be looking at place value and the number system, and learning to use place value to help us when working with the four operations as well as comparing, rounding and working with negative numbers. We will be using our times-table skills to work out factors and multiples, as well as looking at prime numbers. We will then be moving on to working with fractions, decimals and percentages – comparing, ordering and finding equivalences. Throughout our Maths work we will be learning the small steps and methods needed to understand each area fully and then using these skills to solve a range of problems in each topic area.

Homework

Homework will consist of a piece of Maths work and a piece of English work, and will be sent home on a Friday, to be returned to school by the following Tuesday. The work will usually be linked to learning the children have been doing through the week and its main purpose is to help consolidate current learning. In addition to this, children will be expected to read at home each week and log this in their homework books. Spellings will also be sent home each week and the children tested regularly.

Topic
Conflict – Is it right to fight?

British Value	PSHE Value
Individual Liberty	New Beginnings

Visits / events
Visit to a Castle

History

We will be looking at conflict through History, focussing on some key events like World War 1 and the War of the Roses, and looking at the causes and effects of conflicts through time.

Geography

We will be learning about the different counties and cities of the UK. We will be looking at the different features of these places and who has the most power – how might this create conflict?

Science

We will be learning about electricity and circuits, and looking at how much we rely on it in the modern world. We will also be learning about light and shadows and how our eyes actually see the world around us.

RE

We will be investigating whether it is better to express your beliefs in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity by looking closely at Muslim and Christian examples.

Computing

We will be looking at online safety and the responsibilities children have when online. We will also be looking at coding and how to design and share programs.

Art

We will be looking at stained glass windows and how images are created using smaller sections. We will use this style to create our own images of peace and harmony.

DT

We will be using a range of materials to design and make frames for our stained glass windows, thinking about texture and how the frame stands / hangs.

Music

Children will be performing in an ensemble context using their voices. They will be learning to sing I'll Be There.

PE

We will be performing dances using a range of movement patterns. We will also work on developing flexibility and timings. We will also be learning the skills associated with football and basketball.

MFL

We will be looking at the French culture and learning about their lifestyle in comparison to ours. We will be learning phrases and vocabulary linked to this.

Key messages and dates:

Tuesday 18th Sept – Individual / sibling photos.
Thursday 4th Oct – KS2 Harvest Festival.

Tuesday 18th Sept – Robinwood Information Meeting.
Friday 7th December – Y5&6 Class Assembly.

Tues 25th / Wed 26th Sept – Parent Consultation Evenings.
Thurs 13th Dec – KS2 Christmas Concerts