



Coppice Academy

Year 6 Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome

Happy New Year to Year Six! We have an exciting start to 2025, filled with learning across a range of subjects including: Classification in Science, Trade & Economics in Geography and Evolution Art! The following informs you about what we will be learning in school this term, preparing us for our SATs in May. Support at home in the next few months is important in order to enable your child to be SATS ready for May. Thank you.

English

Reading

Holes by Louis Sachar

Stanley Yelnats' family has a history of bad luck, so when a miscarriage of justice sends him to Camp Green Lake Juvenile Detention Centre, he is not surprised. Every day he and the other inmates are told to dig a hole, five foot wide by five foot deep, reporting anything they find. Why? The evil warden claims that it's character building, but this is a lie. It's up to Stanley to dig up the truth.

Writing

This term we will be practising a range of fiction and non-fiction pieces of writing using the tale of King Kong to write: an informal letter, the next chapter and a balanced argument

Exploring the work of Charles Darwin and Jane Goodall, we will write biographies and create a persuasive holiday brochure for Camp Green Lake, the setting for 'Holes'.

Maths

In Maths this term, we will be learning topics involving:

- Converting units of measurement involving length, weight and capacity.
- Ratio language and use of fractions to solve ratio problems.
- Fraction, Decimal and Percentage equivalence, comparing and ordering.
- Percentages of amounts and quantities.
- Algebra formulae and equations.
- Area, Perimeter and Volume.

Geography

We are learning about 'Economics and Trading'. Children will find out about how goods and services are traded around the world. They will explore the UK's trade links today and in the past, finding out about goods imported and exported and the methods of transport used. The children will also learn about fair trade and why it is important in a global market.

Music

We will be using chords in compositions, we can create music that is more harmonically interesting. We can also create accompaniment for a melody using chords. We will be listening and responding to La Bamba and looking at the composition extension activities for Disco Fever

RE

Our areas of enquiry this term are:

Is anything ever eternal?

Is Christianity still a strong religion 200 years after Jesus was on Earth?

French

In French, we will be learning phrases and vocabulary about "Family" and "A Weekend with Friends."

Science

This term we are learning about 'Classification' and 'Evolution'. This will be accompanied by a trip to Twycross Zoo, details of the trip to follow at a later date.

Art

In Art we will be studying portraits of animals - focusing on monkeys. With links to our Science topics, children will be looking at a variety of medias and artistic interpretations for creating portraits of these fascinating creatures. Children will then use this work to produce their own final portrait with a medium of their choosing.

PSHE

In 'Dreams and Goals', we will be looking at how to maintain a positive attitude and stay motivated when challenges and difficulties arise.

In 'Healthy Me', we will be exploring the importance of a healthy, balanced diet, being physically active and enjoying healthy relationships.

PE

In Gymnastics, we will be exploring how to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control, and balance, through a range of balances, rolls and jumps. In Fitness, we will be developing our core strength, fitness, speed and aerobic endurance through a range of high-intensity exercises and tasks. In Handball, we will be improving our throwing, catching, blocking and shooting across a series of competitive games and matches.

Computing

This term will be working collaboratively, learning how to use blogs as information texts, considering the effect upon the audience of changing the visual properties of a blog. We will also be using spreadsheets to carry out basic calculations, using formulae to manipulate data and represent this visually using a variety of graphs.

Key Information

- Homework - Set every 2 consecutive Wednesdays on Century. Writing homework is set twice each half-term.
- Please remember to read for at least ten minutes each night, and to practise your timetables on TTRS!

6C PE Days: Tuesdays & Fridays

6D PE days: Tuesdays and Wednesdays

6S PE days: Mondays & Tuesdays