



# Coppice Academy

## Year 6 Autumn Term Newsletter

A huge welcome back to everyone in Year 6 and we hope you all had a wonderful, restful Summer. Our teaching team, Mr Smith and Mrs Didcote cannot wait to work with you all and to inspire excellence in everything we do, as we look to help you to end your time at Coppice Academy on a high!

### English

#### Reading

Our shared reading text this half-term will be 'Goodnight Mr Tom' by Michelle Magorian, a tale set in World War II and the emergence of an unlikely father-son relationship.

#### Writing

Our writing this term will revolve around the 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan, a migrant story, which contains a series of powerful, wordless images. We will also be writing a recount of our trip to Coventry Cathedral and a British History report.

### Maths

We will be beginning the year with exploring the fundamentals of Number and Place Value and the 4 main calculation operations, including:

- Read and write numbers to 10 million
- Comparing and ordering numbers
- Rounding whole and decimal numbers
- Negative numbers
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and equivalent fractions

### History

We will be taking a trip back in time to the beginning of World War II to explore the significant events, causes and impacts of this important aspect of British History. We will be using a range of primary and secondary historical sources and artefacts to re-construct the past and for an enquiry about life in our local area during the 1930s and 1940s.

### Music

In Music, we will be exploring the topics 'Music and Technology' and 'Developing Ensemble Skills', creating and composing music with live and digital sounds.

### RE

In RE, we will be focussing on the key principles and teachings of Islam and Christianity, and how these religions encourage their followers to show their commitment to their Gods.

### French

In French, we will be learning a range of French verbs for varying actions and exploring French culture in our 'In France' unit.

### PE

Indoor PE units will be Gymnastics and Dance.

Outdoor PE units will be Netball and Hockey.

#### PE DAYS

6D: Wednesdays & Thursdays

6S: Mondays & Wednesdays



## Science

We will be understanding how we see things in our Light unit and exploring how and conducting a series of scientific investigations into why light travels as it does, shadow formation and reflection.

We will also be 'conducting' a range of investigations as part of our Electricity unit, constructing and modifying electrical circuits using multiple components.

## Art

Our Art unit this term will be looking at the work of Henry Moore and his work on sculptures, which we will be replicating through use of clay.

## DT

Our DT unit this term will focus on researching and planning electronic games, which we will be designing, making and evaluating.

## JIGSAW PSHE

Our Jigsaw PHSE units will see us thinking about the rights, responsibilities and expectations of being a citizen in Being Me in my World and Celebrating Differences in other cultures.

## Computing

In Systems and Networks, we will be looking at how data is transferred over the internet and in Creating Media, we will be creating websites for a chosen purpose and audience.

## Key Information

Full school uniform and appropriate PE kits are essential to everyday school life at Coppice Academy and will be checked on a daily basis. We would encourage all parents and carers to support us in making sure that our pupils are full equipped for each school day.

Homework will be set using Century on Wednesdays and is expected to be completed by the following Wednesday. Every three weeks, writing homework will be set and is to be completed in the Writing Homework book before the following Wednesday.

Children are expected to read **at least** 3 times per week and their School Organisers must be signed by an adult. Book Band or Reading for Pleasure books should be brought to be in school every single day and changed when required.

### Wednesday 10th September:

5:30pm - Blackwell Information Evening

6:00pm - Parent Information Evening

### Monday 29th September:

Year 6 Trip to Coventry Cathedral

### Tuesday 7th October (09:30-10:30)

Year 6 Assembly to parents