

Year Six Newsletter

Term: Autumn 1



Message from your teachers

A huge welcome back to our wonderful class as they begin their final year at Hogarth. We are thrilled to start this new academic year with you all and really looking forward to the fantastic year we have ahead. It is an exciting, and important, year and we know all our Year 6 class are going to be fantastic role models for the rest of the school. We cannot wait to see you working hard, asking questions, challenging yourselves and learning every day.

We will be learning this term...

In CSI this half term, we are going to become 'time travellers' and we will be journeying back to Ancient Egypt! We will begin our learning with an exciting Egyptian day in which we will be making our own papyrus and writing hieroglyphics. Our main driver for this half term's topic is History. We will be exploring key historical events across this period to develop an overall chronological understanding of this time in history. We will also use our findings to make comparisons between Ancient Egypt and the Mayan period.

In Science we will be learning about light. This will include how shadows are created, how light is reflected from surfaces and how we see objects. In Art we will be creating self-portraits thinking carefully about how our colour palette choices can affect the atmosphere of our work. In DT our focus will be food technology where we will be adapting and refining recipes to change the overall appearance, taste, texture and aroma of our food to meet our design brief. We will also be thinking about how to scale up or down recipes. In Computing, we will be thinking about how to stay safe online and learning about webpages.

In English, we will be writing an adventure story in which our characters will journey back to ancient Egypt. We will be focusing carefully on how to use a range of techniques to build up tension and atmosphere in our writing. In Maths, we will be learning about place value up to 10 million, as well as the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). This will include the formal written methods of long division and long multiplication.

Reminders/Important Dates

- PE is every <u>Thursday</u>. Please ensure that children come dressed in PE kit on this day.
- Please bring your diaries in to school every day. You should read at least 3 times a week at home. This needs to be signed by a parent.
- Homework is given out every Friday and is due in the following Wednesday.
- Spellings are given out each Friday ready for Friday spellings tests.
- Mrs Powell is teaching Mon-Weds and Mrs Strutt Thurs & Fri.

Useful pages/Contact us

As part of our homework this year, we will be setting Maths challenges on our exciting online Maths platform- Sumdog. Every child has been given a log in and password (in their reading diaries).

https://www.sumdog.com/user/sign_in

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