



# Greenfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you enjoyed the Easter holidays and are ready for the final term of the year. Here's a quick overview of the subjects and topics that will be taught in Year 6 over the next term and some information regarding homework and PE. We hope you find this useful and that it enables you to discuss and research the topics that your child will be studying at home together.

## **Maths**

The first half of this term will be spent revising topics from previous years which may appear on the SATs tests. This will include naming shapes, identifying properties, nets, roman numerals and statistics. The focus will then be revision of all the topics we've covered in KS2, especially using the skills we've learnt in lots of reasoning and problem-solving questions.

In the second half of this term, we will move onto looking at maths skills that we will need as we move to secondary school, e.g. time work, drawing bar charts and graphs from scratch, using our maths knowledge to solve real life problems and puzzles.

Please encourage your child to regularly use Times Table Rockstars and Maths Shed for working on their basic number facts such as mental addition and subtraction, number bonds and multiplying and dividing by powers of 10.

## **English**

The first half term will focus on revision of key grammar terminology, spelling rules and patterns and looking at a variety of SATs style reading questions.

After half term we will focus most of our English on class novels and the leaver's show. We will be developing our drama skills and looking at playscripts.

## **Writing**

During writing this term, we will be looking at creating our own balanced argument about social media and age restrictions around it. We will then be looking at Philip Pullman's book Clockwork and will be writing our own narrative based on this.

## **Topic**

The first half term we will begin our new topic 'What is lifelike in the rainforest?'. We approach topic lessons using questions to grip the children's interest. There will be new smaller questions each week for them to explore in school: we will explore location, threats and learn about the different layers of foliage in a rainforest.

The second half of term will be a topic based in our local area. This will involve local case studies. Therefore, we will be getting outdoors for this topic as much as possible and hopefully making use of our local environment. As parents have already been asked to give permission for local-environment visits, we will not be seeking permissions for this again, however if you would not like your child to take part in the local-environment activities, then please let us know.

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## Science

- The science topic being taught this half term will be the circulatory system. We will be learning about the heart and its function, the role and parts of our blood to lead into how lifestyle affects these things.
- During the second half of the term, we will be learning about adaptation. We will link this, where possible, to our topic: looking at plants and animals that live in rainforests around the world and in our local environment, and how adaptation has influenced our current landscape.

## Other subjects

We will use ICT as an integral part of lessons in the classroom and plan to make good use of the iPads on our timetabled day. We will also teach computing explicitly where we will be learning about 3D printing and programming to sense movement.

- Music – For the first part of the term, we will be learning all about Baroque music and the key composer of this genre. During the second half term, we will be focusing on composing and performing our leavers' song!
- Art – during the first half term, we will be exploring the work of Frida Kahlo, looking at how she expresses emotion and her use of symbolism. For the second half term, we will be focusing on a local artist – John McCombs.
- RE – we will be exploring the questions, 'What does faith look like in Oldham?', 'What will make our community more respectful?' and 'If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship?'
- Spanish – This term we will be looking at some special Spanish events and celebrations.
- PSHE – Being my best – this unit will focus on young adult life skills and looking at our aspirations for the future. During the second half term we will cover the unit – 'Growing and Changing – This unit covers the Sex and relationship elements of our school curriculum and will involve a visit from the school nurse. If you would like to discuss this topic further or withdraw your child from any of these lessons you must contact the school office and inform Mr. Storey.
- PE will be taught on Monday and Tuesday. Our focus this term will be striking and fielding and athletics.

We will also be doing a lot of transition work in the second half term in preparation for our move to secondary school and have some sessions with the Year 7 transition lead from Saddleworth School booked in for after SATS.

## Homework

- Children are expected to complete 2 ½ hours of homework a week when in Year 6. Please play on TT Rock Stars regularly if you are still not confident at recalling all table quickly. Hit the button is also great if there's a specific table you need to work on.
- The first half of this term, homework will be sent home as and when needed. The children will be sent home with work to finish off, practicing skills and revising methods and terminology
- After the half term, homework will mainly be based around learning lines and sorting out costumes and props for our end of year leavers' performance.
- Reading – children should be reading regularly, every day if possible. This doesn't have to be out loud to an adult, just finding time to enjoy a book by themselves is great. What they are reading should be recorded in their reading record which should be returned to school each Thursday with 3 entries.
- We hope that this information will be useful in supporting your child this coming term. May we also take this opportunity to remind you that we are only a phone call away, if ever you have any issues or concerns or just want a bit of advice on how you can best help your child then give the school office a ring to make an appointment with them for one of us to give you a call back.

Here's looking forward to a successful final term together!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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