Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn 2

"Road to Baghdad"

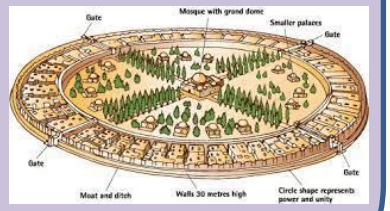
In this fantastic topic, we will learn about the Ancient Islamic Civilisation.

We will compare what was happening in Europe during The Dark Ages, to the same time in Arabia. We will consider the question:

"Was the early Islamic Civilisation a beacon of light in the dark ages?"

At the end of this History topic we will focus specifically on inventions created by the Ancient Islamic Civilisations and discover how the Ancient city of Baghdad was constructed. We will then create a class model of the city using cardboard.





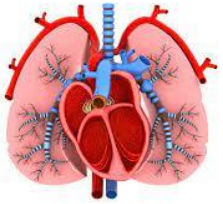
Maths

We will look to further embed our knowledge around fractions, decimals and percentages before consolidating our knowledge of timetables and converting between units of time. Finally we
focus on shape (2D and 3D) ,parts of a circle and re-capping our understanding of co-ordinates and how to translate a shape.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about the circulatory system. In our lessons, we will be focusing on the functions of the lungs, heart and blood within our bodies, as well as investigating ways in which we can measure and improve our fitness. The children will also explore factors that can harm our body and affecting these vital organs.





Maths homework- This will be set on a Monday and due in the following Monday. Spellings will be tested on a Monday.

PE -

Year 6 need to come to school in PE kit Tuesday and Wednesday

Just a reminder that PE kit is a plain t-shirt, the colour of your child's house, and black shorts or dark tracksuit bottoms. Long hair must be tied up and earrings removed or covered with tape. Please ensure your child is prepared for the lessons.



The PE lessons will include teaching the skills needed to play netball and our indoor PE will focus on performing a dance routine as a group.

Key Dates:

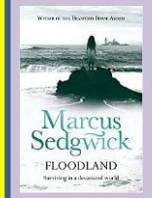
November

Monday 2nd: First Day of Term
Tuesday 10th – PTA Discos
Friday 13th : Children in Need
16th – 20th : Anti-bullying Week
Monday 16th : Odd Socks Day
Thursday 19th – Panthers Class Assembly 2.45

December

Friday 4th: PTA Christmas Fayre
Thursday 10th : Carol Concert – 3:30pm
Friday 11th: Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 18th : Last day of term

Reading

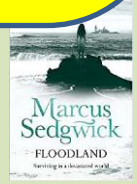


Floodland provides rich opportunities for Year 6 pupils to develop their inference and deduction skills by exploring characters' emotions, motivations and responses to challenging situations. The text introduces ambitious vocabulary and varied sentence structures, supporting pupils to develop their understanding of language and its impact on the reader. Its dystopian setting encourages pupils to retrieve, summarise and make connections across the text, while also developing their ability to explain ideas using evidence. The novel also supports higher-order reading skills through discussion of themes such as resilience, survival, friendship and responsibility, enabling pupils to justify their viewpoints and respond critically to the text.

Love of Reading

Please support and encourage your child to regularly read and home. Remember, to record every time they have read on Boom Reader. When they have read 10 times at home, and log it, they will get a golden ticket for an opportunity to win a book from the vending machine

Writing



We will be using the book 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick as our stimulus for writing this half term. We will follow Zoe's journey as she escapes a heavily flooded Norwich, where the people want what she has: a boat. We will start by writing a first person monologue of Zoe's feelings at this point.

Following on from this as we explore the book further, we will write an information text about the island, followed by a narrative where we will continue to develop our skills on writing dialogue and moving the action on within a story.