



Year 6 Curriculum Letter

**Autumn 1
2024**

Welcome to Year 6!

We hope you have had a restful break and are ready for Year 6. If you have any questions about your child's progress or other matters, please speak to your class teacher or Mr Barr by making an appointment via the email learning@wembleyprimary.brent.sch.uk. There is a lot to do this half term, so we hope this letter will enable you to support your child with their learning at home.

English

This half term we will focus on what makes effective writing. Your child will be focusing on creating atmosphere through describing the setting and ensuring their writing has cohesion. They will ensure their writing includes simple, compound and complex sentences. We will link our text from Destination Reader to write a diary entry from the perspective of one of the characters in War Horse; exploring feelings, thoughts and impressions. Grammar will focus on knowledge of the different word classes (e.g. nouns, adverbs) and how we use them in our writing.

Science

Our topic this half term is 'Living things and their habitats'. We will learn about classification and the differences between various types of organisms. We will conduct an experiment looking at the growth of bacteria on bread. One activity you could complete — visit the Natural History Museum. You can do this virtually. Discover how animals are classified using the Linnaean Classification System.

Computing -Communication and collaboration

Children will explore how data is transferred over the internet including how data is addressed and structured. They will then look at how the internet supports communication and working together. The children will also learn about what should and should not be shared online.

PSHE

Our first topic is Relationships. The children will learn about their personal identity and issues faced in the world such as racism, bullying and stereotyping.

Maths

Our focus this half term will be on: place value; written calculations for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; measurement facts and improving our arithmetic skills. Pupils will build on their ability to solve problems and use accurate mathematical vocabulary to answer reasoning questions. This will focus on the concepts mentioned above.

History

Our topic for history this half term is The Tudor Period We will learn about why the Tudor period started, the renowned monarch Henry VIII, his six wives and why he felt the need to argue with the Pope. They will learn what it was like to live during this period in British history. We will be visiting the Tower of London.

In order to prepare for SATs, your child will have a weekly arithmetic test which they will bring home. Please go through the test with your child.

Music

We will be following the Brent Music's Cool curriculum. Children will be working on performance, rhythm and beat.

Please support your child by quizzing them on their multiplication and division facts and ensure they log on to TT Rockstars.

Religion and World Views

This term the topic is affliction and how different people have different views. One area we look at is what different people believe about creation.

P.E

Children will be working on cognitive skills and ball skills by following the Real PE scheme. Mr Thomas will be teaching invasions games: basketball, football etc

Art

The year 6 art topic will be still life. The children will be learning about the element of line and tone using ballpoint pens. The element of space will be explored by learning about single point perspective.



Year 6 Topic Home Learning Autumn 1

Complete all three challenges by Monday 16th October. Don't forget to read and practise spellings every day.

Learning is to be submitted on Google classroom or in your red home learning book.

Earth and Space—Year 5 Retrieval

Write an explanation about why we have days, years and seasons. You may like to use an image to help explain. Challenge—Why do some countries only have two seasons?

Vocabulary

axis, rotation, orbit, Earth, tilt, equator.

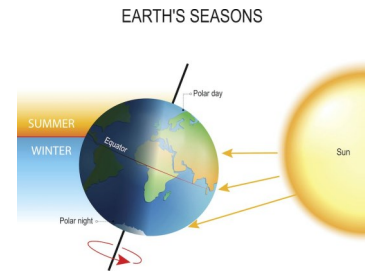
To begin with.....

As a result of.....

Because of....., we experience four seasons in the UK.

For example.....

The reason(s) for.....



Local Area Traffic—Year 5 Retrieval

Using your knowledge from last term, discuss the ways traffic has changed in Wembley over the past hundred years.

What was the land in Wembley used for in the past?

How is it used today? What are the differences/similarities?

What are the reasons for the changes?

Vocabulary—rural, urban, residential, land use, development, vehicles,

Wembley Stadium, retail,

In some ways land use in the past and today are alike. For instance they both...
Another feature they have in common is that...
Furthermore they are both...
However, they also differ in some ways.
For example while
Another difference is....

Super Power of Looking



1. What do you think is going on here?
2. What time of day is it? How can you tell?
3. Who or what does the artist want us to look at first?
4. Does the lighting create a certain mood or feeling?
5. What do you think you would be able to smell if you were transported into the painting?

Compulsory Homework—Maths Fluency Focus

Teachers may set additional home learning depending upon assessments.

Week 1 - Place Value

Week 2 - Place Value

Week 3 - Addition and Subtraction

Week 4 - Multiplication

Week 5 - Division

Week 6 - Review of half term

Year 6 also have access to TT Rockstars which they should complete regularly.

