

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter, Autumn Term 2023

Hello everyone and welcome back to another exciting school year at Hunmanby Primary. I hope you all had a lovely Summer Holidays and are ready for lots of lovely hard work and exciting learning opportunities. Year 6 awaits. Trust me, it will fly by in a flash. There's so much to cram in but lots of fun to be had and new things to learn.

Year 6 are welcoming back Mrs Adams, who has worked with your year group before of course, with Mrs Collier Woods supporting and teaching during the week. Mr Ellis will continue to lead our PE sessions on a Monday.

Curriculum Maestro continues to be our online planning tool for our new curriculum. Autumn Term topics are organized into a main 'driver' followed by a series of mini-projects. Autumn Term driver will be **Maafa**, a study of the history and culture of Africa and the slave trade, followed by **The Circulation System** for Science, two art and design projects called '**Tints, Tones and Shades**' and '**Trailblazers and Barrier Breakers**', a DT project based around '**Food For Life**' and a Geography project called '**Our Changing World**'. RE, French and PSHE continue to be taught by Mrs Collier Woods as separate topic areas as does PE taught by Mr Ellis.

Please note that PE kit should be a white t-shirt and black shorts for inside, with dark coloured joggers and a sports sweatshirt (no hood) for outside when the weather requires it.

This year, we are introducing a new scheme for Literacy called The Write Stuff. It looks really exciting and should really support the children's writing throughout the year across a number of different genres. This term we will be looking at Adventure stories using Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo, Mystery stories using The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman, Ghost stories using Thornhill by Pam Smy (which I read over the Summer and loved) and as we approach Christmas, we will be writing Persuasive texts based around the story of Scrooge.

In addition, we have a new Computing scheme and a new PSHE scheme called KAPOW. Lots of interesting and exciting learning opportunities for the children.



Homework will take the form of three parts, which you must stay on top of, and give time to.

- Reading. Regular practice is worth its weight in gold. Five times per week is the minimum and you must have your reading diary signed by an adult at home. **Please note, reading books and diaries MUST be transported between home and school in a book bag. If you do not have one, one will be provided for you free of charge.**
- Spelling practice. You will have a set of words each week to learn. Practice and get your book signed at home please, ready for your test on Friday.
- A piece on Friday, alternating between Maths and Literacy. Hand this piece in on Monday or Tuesday of the following week please.

Please support and encourage your child and help them to organize and prioritise where necessary. I have a lot of experience in Year 6 and I know that success comes from a partnership between the teacher, the parent and the child. Please contact me via class dojo for any assistance or support I can give so we all work together to help this year's Year 6 group.

I look forward to meeting you all as the term progresses. Thank you in advance for your support.



Mr Rix.