

Year 6

English		Mathematics	
The Invention of Hugo Cabret will be the focus of our English work this term. We will be looking at narrative style, particularly developing vocabulary skills and descriptive writing. As well as this, we will be writing diary entries. There will be an emphasis on using writing skills across the curriculum. The whole school focus of handwriting and spelling will apply to year 6.		This year, children will begin by working on place value, rounding and ordering numbers then move on to calculation strategies. We will continue to develop the use of mathematical language, problem solving and application skills with a focus on explaining reasoning. Timetables and associated division facts will be focused on throughout the half term and should be practised at home too.	
Science	Computing	History/ Geography	Art/ Design Technology
This half term our science unit is habitats and classification. We will be researching and collecting information about a variety of animals and plants. Our work at Suntrap will also support this as we explore animals and insects during our visits.	The main focus this half term will be on programming. The children will use Scratch to create their own multiplication games working on a range of skills including: decomposing a basic game, forever loops, variables and user testing and feedback.	This half term our Geography has a local focus. We will be looking at complex mapping skills including using a compass, grid references and application of these skills. Our visits to Suntrap this year will support our learning in this area.	In art, we will be focusing on sketching techniques linked to Hugo Cabret. We will be using a range of different media (charcoal, pencils and pastels) to re-create sketches from the book that help tell the story.
Physical Education	PSHE/RE	French	Music
Indoor P.E. will be gymnastics involving shapes and balances. Our outdoor games will be net and ball games. <b>All children need their PE kit for the whole week (including appropriate footwear)</b>	We will be studying Buddhism this half term in RE. In PSHE, we will be focusing on managing risks to our physical and emotional health and wellbeing.	In French, the children will be building their vocabulary of familiar phrases in relation to numbers and dates and will be encouraged to speak in different contexts.	We shall be exploring song cycles looking at harmonies, rounds and working out melodies by ear. The children will be encouraged to practise their singing assembly songs in class also.

Planned Educational Visits	Supporting your child's learning at home
<b>Suntrap – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October</b> Please make sure that your child has wellington boots and a waterproof jacket for this trip. A permission letter covering all of the day visits this year will soon be sent home.	<b>Homework</b> is given on a <b>Friday</b> and should be returned by the following <b>Wednesday</b> . Children will have homework books to look after. Weekly maths tasks will be set for children to complete on Mathematics and a reading activity must be completed in reading journals every week. Weekly spelling words based on the Year 5/6 spelling will also be included to support and consolidate their learning. Alongside this, there will be English skills homework every other week and project-based learning each half term. Please inform your child's classteacher if you have issues with accessing the internet at home. They should be encouraged to read every day out of school both asking and answering questions about their texts. Homework is important for independent learning and consolidation of concepts taught, all children need to complete tasks on time.

