

# Year 6: Tigers

## Term 2: Autumn



### RESPECT

### INDEPENDENCE

### CONFIDENCE

### CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! The children settled into their first term very well and were all keen to take on new roles and responsibilities around the school. A reminder that children should continue to ensure they are coming to school in smart school uniform, with no jewellery (earrings should be small studs) and long hair tied back.

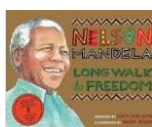
A special event this term for Year 6 will be our Children in Need day on 17<sup>th</sup> November. The children have started thinking about stalls that they would like to put on for the rest of the classes in the school, and have split into teams to see who can raise the most money!

A reminder that our PE day is Thursday - children should come in correct kit – they will need a plain tracksuit for colder weather, and plain trainers.

Children are rising to the challenge to read as much as possible with their Accelerated Reader books; please ensure that your child is reading at least three times a week at home, for 15 minutes. Children should make a note of what they have read in their reading records and bring into school every day. If children are unsure of their times tables, please help them to practise as this is invaluable in helping them to feel prepared for SATs and beyond.

Thank you very much for your continued support,

Mrs Keen



### English: Writing

We will read Nelson Mandela's 'Long Walk to Freedom' and use the text as a starting point to write a biography of the famous leader. Next, we will move onto suspense stories, reading 'The Wedding Ghost' and 'The Wolves in the Walls' to look at how tension and suspense are created in stories. We will finish the term by writing recounts.

### English: Reading

As part of Destination Reader lessons, we will use a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry text to help us practice skills of Predicting, Questioning, Clarifying, Summarising, Inferring and Evaluating. Children will also use Accelerated Reader to track their progress with their own reading books.

### Maths

This term we will be looking at Fractions, revising equivalent fractions and working on adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions and mixed numbers. Then, we will move on to converting units of measurement.

### Science

Our topic this term is Light. We will learn about how we see, shadows, reflection and refraction, how light travels and how this enables us to see objects. The children will have the opportunity to make their own functioning periscope, finding out about mirrors and the angles of reflection and incidence.

### Geography

Our Geography enquiry question is 'Why does population change?' We will be able to identify densely and sparsely populated areas of the world and describe the increase in global population over time. We will investigate migration, push and pull factors, and be able to explain why some people have to leave their homes. Finally, we will look at how to improve an environment.

### Religious Education (RE)

In RE we will be exploring the religions and world views of Christians, Muslims and Hindus with the question 'What difference does it make to believe in Ahimsa (harmlessness), Grace, and Ummah (community)?'

### French

Our topic in French is 'French Football Champions'. We will learn vocabulary related to football through a variety of language-learning techniques and use our language detective skills to decode French football player profiles.

### Music

Our Music unit, 'Theme and Variations' will allow children to explore the musical concept of theme and variations and discover how rhythms can 'translate' onto different instruments.

### Art/ Design and Technology

In our Art lessons we will look at developing photography skills and techniques to design a range of creative photographic outcomes. In DT, we will design and make a navigation tool to produce a multifunctional device for trekkers using CAD 3D modelling software.

### Physical Education (PE)

We will be working with Elite Sports during our PE lessons each Thursday.

### Computing

Our unit on website creation will introduce children to the creation of websites for a chosen purpose. Children will identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites.

### Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

Our unit on Celebrating Difference will allow children to discuss what the term 'normal' means, and celebrate our unique identities.

### Reminders:

Homework is given out on a Friday afternoon and due back in on Wednesdays. Reading records should be handed in daily.

### Dates for your diary:

17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November- Year 6 Residential meeting for parents at 5.00pm

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December- Parents Evening

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December- Whole school trip to Leas Cliff Hall Christmas Pantomime.

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December- KS2 Carol Concert. At 2.00pm

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December- School Christmas dinner

