

Important Dates

Further dates will be given throughout the year, please make sure you check the Newsletter for regular updates.

5th February—Parents' Evening

7th February—Valentine's Disco

8th February—Bingo

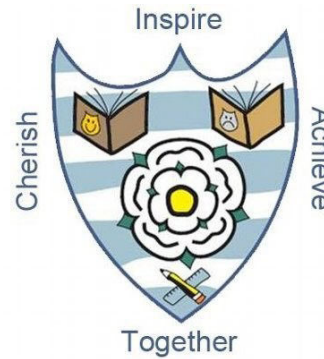
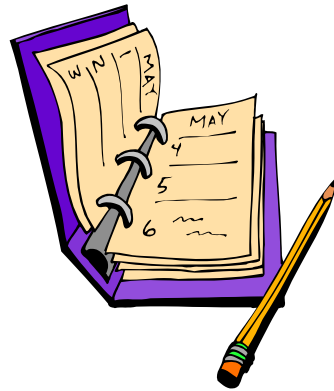
12th February—16th February—Half Term

19th February—Back to School

1st March—World Book Day

26th March—6th April—Easter Holidays

Week commencing 14th May ~ Key Stage 2 SATs



Newsletter

Year 6 Zebras

Welcome back everyone!

We hope you have all had a relaxing Christmas break and are ready for 2018. Thank you all very much for the lovely gifts, cards and kind wishes we received for Christmas, they are very much appreciated.
Best wishes, Mr. Sandwith and Mrs. Birch.

Class Newsletter

Welcome to the **Spring Term** edition of the class newsletter.

This newsletter is to keep parents informed about class news and to give a brief summary of the curriculum areas we will be covering in the coming term.

Homework

Homework will be given out regularly. Children will receive one piece of literacy, one piece of numeracy, spellings and reading homework during the week. Literacy and Numeracy homework will be linked to the topic covered in class, spellings will be given out on a Monday and children will be given a week to practise for the test on the following Monday. Please make sure your child's spelling journal is in school on a Monday. Children will also be asked to read regularly and practise their times tables, please make sure your child's reading record is signed and returned to school.

If you would like to discuss your child's homework, please call in at the end of the day.



Wanted

To help us in class with resources for various aspects of our work, could we ask parents to send in any of the following items please:

- **Newspapers** (for use in art sessions)
- **Any resources linked to our Victorians topic**

Thank you for your support.



Contacting Us

It is important that if you have any worries or concerns about your child's progress or happiness in school that you let us know as soon as possible. The easiest way to contact us is to phone the school office and leave a message or by seeing Mr Sandwith or Mrs Birch after school.

Literacy

Over the next term we will be covering a variety of topics such as diary writing, converting poetry into narrative, descriptive and narrative writing based on Rudyard Kipling's 'Just So' Stories.

Children will also take part in a number of literacy activities related to reading, spelling and handwriting. We will link our literacy work to our topic where possible. We will also read The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes and rewrite the poem as a narrative.

We will do lots of revision and practise ready for our SATs in May.



Evolution Revolution

Our topic this term is all about **The Victorians**. We will be learning lots of interesting facts about the era, focussing on important historical figures.

We will learn about the significance of Queen Victoria's reign, will discuss home life for all classes of people during the period and will learn about school and work life for children.

VICTORIANS



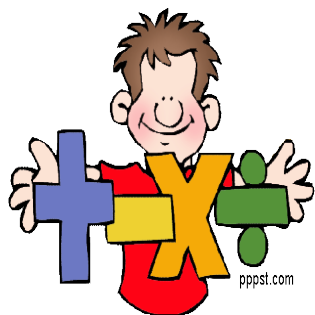
1819 - 1901

Numeracy

We will be studying a variety of topics over the next term including: place value, strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, 3D shapes and their nets, the mean and fractions, decimals and percentages.

Children will also be learning to apply their mathematical skills to real life problems.

We will continue to learn our multiplication and division facts and will practise arithmetic questions.



RE/PCSHE

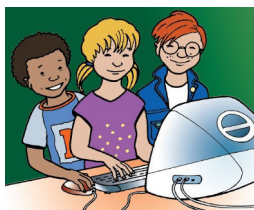
In RE we will be learning more about Christianity and will look at Christian beliefs linked to eternity. We will use Christian weddings as a stimulus for our learning.

PCSHE will be covered through Ask It. Children will explore a range of stories, texts, pictures and videos and will discuss the themes and issues shown. Children will be encouraged to ask thoughtful questions and listen and respond to the opinions of others.



ICT

Our ICT lessons will be carried out in conjunction with our topic work. We will continue to work on our app designs by becoming market researchers and interface designers.



PE / Games Kit

Children will need their PE kit each week please, it is useful if this kit could be left in school each day during the school week in case of occasional timetable changes.

This term children will be learning to play ball games and will focus on Cricket and Hockey. They will learn how to pass the ball, how to use the bat and stick effectively, how to defend and will explore the tactics of each game.



Science

This term children will be learning about 'Evolution and Inheritance'. Children will learn how characteristics can be inherited from our parents and explore why these are useful. We will look at how living things have adapted over time to suit their environment. We will also look at the work Darwin did and discuss his impact on our understanding of evolution.

