

We hope this topic letter will give you some insight into the work your child will cover during this term.

Our inspiration for this term is based on 'War, crime and punishment'.

The key skills we will be focusing on are: how to be co-operative, independent and responsible, as well as organising our belongings and ourselves!

Literacy

During their daily literacy lessons, they will be focusing on fictional text as they will be studying the importance of detailed description that shows the character's emotions and feelings. They will also be encouraged to include a variety of sentences and punctuation. They will always be thinking about how their writing affects the reader. They will also study poetry; poems that express emotion. We will link this to Remembrance Day. In the lead up to Christmas we will be doing narrative work on The Snowman.

Numeracy

During their daily mathematics lessons, children will begin to:

- Read, write order and compare numbers up to 10 million and determine the value of each digit.
- Multiply and divide multi digit numbers up to 4 digits by a 2 digit whole number, using the formal written method.
- Add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers, using the concept of equivalent fractions.
- Solve problems involving the calculation of fractions and the use of fractions for comparison.
- Use, read, write and convert between standard units of measure.

Computing (I.C.T)

The children will be developing their knowledge of information technology by learning and understanding how information moves around the internet. In the second half term they will focus on programming in order to create their own quiz using Scratch.

Music

The children will be experimenting with different sounds. Following this we will explore how we use our voices. We will also be learning our Harvest and Christmas songs.

History

Children will be exploring the first and second World Wars and the impact they had on society. We will also be looking at the history of crime and punishment and how that has changed over the years.

R.E.

This term Year 6 will be learning about Hinduism. We will be finding out about the birth of Jesus and how other countries celebrate Christmas.

Art/ D&T

The children will focus on developing their skills of drawing and painting people and places. They will work with paint, pastels and chalk.

P.E.

The children will be learning a variety of games, alongside Sports Focus activities. Year 6's first half term will focus on improving their overall fitness. Please ensure earrings are taken out, either by the child or before the school day.

PSHE: For our PSHE day this half term we will be thinking about healthy living and exploring the risks of smoking, drinking alcohol and using drugs. In the second half term we will be focusing on bullying as part of anti-bullying week.

Science: Our science topics will be looking at animals including humans and light. The children will be expected to use scientific language to show their understanding.

Ways in which you can help us:

- P.E. kits must be in school every day, as P.E. times may sometimes vary, however they are timetabled for Monday and Friday.
- Supporting children at home with reading, time tables practice, spelling sentences and their home learning journals.
- Please check their home/school learning diaries every night for important information.
- Please ensure your child is in school and on time every day; we hope to have 100% attendance in Eagles and Hawks classes each term, this year and win top squirrel!
- Please remember to inform the school office of any changes of address, home telephone, mobile telephone number or any other emergency contact information.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to a FANTASTIC term!

Buckland Primary School



Topic Letter for Parents

School Times: Class starts at 8.45am and finish at 3.00pm

**September 2018 - December 2019
Year 6**

Miss Pickersgill and Mrs Davis