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Dear Parents

Year 5 Subject Summaries: Summer Term 2019

I'd like to wish you a warm welcome back to the summer term. I have no doubt it will be another busy and exciting time at school and I thought you would like to know what your child will be studying.

English

Pupils will be reading their new class novel 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and will use this as a stimulus for creative writing, as well as making links to other subjects. Pupils will continue to work on grammar, punctuation and spelling. They will also reinforce their reading skills of inference and deduction.

Maths

Pupils will rehearse mental addition and subtraction strategies and apply skills to fractions and decimals. They will consolidate methods of multiplication, identify rules of divisibility and also learn to read and plot coordinates in two quadrants. Pupils will also extend their understanding of 2D and 3D shape by identifying 3D shapes from 2D representations and by creating 3D shapes using 2D nets.

Science

Pupils will be investigating different materials and their properties. They will be looking at animals and plants and how to classify them. They will also look at how animals have adapted to suit their environment.

Art

Pupils will learn about Claude Monet and his commitment to impressionism. They will use this technique in their own artwork, focusing on texture, light and brushstroke.

French

Pupils will learn to talk about likes and dislikes and name what they have and don't have in their survival kit. Pupils will be introduced to regular -er verbs (for je, tu, il and elle) and they will practise using the verb avoir in the present. They will also build on their knowledge of adjectives in order to be able to describe themselves in detail.

Physical Education

Pupils will cover a range of physical activities including cricket, rounders (for girls), tennis and athletics. In games the programme is aimed to develop an increased level of understanding of basic tactics and rules and how to apply these in a competitive environment. In athletics, pupils will be given the opportunity to improve in a variety of individual events and their performances will be recorded and monitored. There will also be some preparation work for sports day which takes place this term.

Geography

Year 5 pupils will study the topic of 'Climate Change'. They will explore how the exploitation of fossil fuels has resulted in a release of Greenhouse gases and how that has in turn resulted in Global warming. Pupils will consider how these factors affect the whole world and how they can play a part in protecting our environment.

History

Pupils will be studying World War 2. They will focus on what it would have been like to be a child living at this time, including being an evacuee from the Blitz. They will enjoy a trip to Eden Camp as part of this topic.

ICT

Pupils will develop their computing skills through the use of a piece of software called 'Scratch'. Scratch allows the pupils to build and edit algorithms for simple games. The pupils will write their own algorithms and also edit and debug existing codes. Pupils will also be studying aspects relating to the topic of 'We are photographers', where pupils will create a tourist's guide to Norton High Street.

Music

Pupils will compose melodies harmonised by sustained and repetitive accompaniments. Listening material will include music depicting a musical clock and English folk songs. Pupils will continue with regular keyboard playing to help develop their note recognition and awareness of rhythmic patterns.

PSHE

Pupils will cover two topics this term: 'Dear Diary' and 'Growing Up'. During these topics they will cover areas such as the concept of well-being, being an effective learner, embarrassment, mindfulness and puberty.

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Pupils will study the topic 'Forgiveness'. They will focus on understanding what is meant by forgiveness and use drama activities to show the feelings involved when forgiving someone and when being forgiven. They will study the role that forgiveness plays in world religions.

Technology

Pupils will be completing their model toys, which include a working cam mechanism. They will also tackle a topic about 'Structures'. Within this topic, pupils will explore the designs of different bridges such as a suspension bridge, an arch bridge and a cantilever bridge. They will then design and build their own model bridge with recycled materials.

I do hope that you find this information useful so that you can support your child in their learning. If you have any questions or queries, please get in touch claire.thompson@redhouseschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



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