

P6D

October-December

- PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Reading:

In reading, we will be starting a new class novel study for *Tribes by Catherine MacPhail*. We will be using our strategies with increasing independence and working on extending our answers.

Writing:

We will be finishing our term 1 focus of punctuation before moving onto using various openers in our writing. Within writing we will use various stimuli from our topic to personal experiences to do our work.

Number:

P6s begin the term looking at place value in decimals - working to 2 decimal places. We will then link this to our addition knowledge from last term before moving onto subtraction work.

Maths:

In maths we are going to be continuing with angles and begin linking them into the compass points. We will look at coordinates and then symmetry and patterns, linking it into our prior learning about shapes.

P6 Show:

This term a lot of our time will be focussed on learning our scripts, songs and actions for our P6 Show *Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies*. We will be using our art skills to create props and backgrounds.

IDL:

Our topic this term will be *The Magical World of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*. Within this topic we will look into the history of alchemy, use our art skills to design our own wand and link in measurement to our design tasks.

How you can help at home

Fine Motor Skills:

Fine motor skills are essential for being able to write for a longer period of time and to have accuracy in handwriting. This is an important skill used throughout school and in the wider world.

Below are some ideas of how to develop these skills:

- Lego
- Threading
- Picking things up with tweezers or tongs
- Using pegs
- Tightening and loosening nuts and bolts
- Moulding with playdough

Literacy:

Encouraging your child to read for enjoyment at home is a great way to get them interested in reading and develop their skills further. Asking them questions about their book, the plot, characters, what they think will happen next, etc. will also help develop their skills.

Listening to audiobooks and podcasts are also great tools.

Below are some links:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zdp4pg8>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zncgvk7>

Numeracy:

Practising simple addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations is beneficial for retaining learning and consolidating skills. Sumdog is a wonderful tool for this too.

Below are some links to websites:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/mental-maths-train>