



Year 6 Summer 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Maths

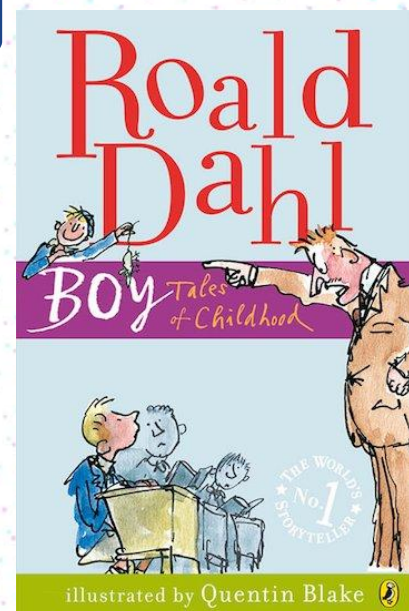
This term, the children will focus on the fascinating subject of shape. They will recognise angles where they meet at a point, lie on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, as well as find any missing angles. Children will also compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes, including discovering unknown angles in triangles, quadrilaterals, and regular polygons. Additionally, we will explore circles, where they will illustrate and name parts such as radius, diameter, and circumference, with the understanding that the diameter is twice the radius. We will also delve into position and direction. The children will describe positions on the full coordinate grid, draw and translate shapes, and reflect them across the axes.

Science

This term, children will learn about animal adaptations. They should understand that adaptations are characteristics which improve the chances of survival in a habitat. They explore specific adaptations of various animals and how these adaptations allow them to survive in their habitats.

English

It should go without saying that our wonderful Year Six pupils are working hard in preparation for their End-of-Key-Stage-Two Statutory Assessments (SATs). They are continuing to explore Roald Dahl's formative years through his semi-autobiographical *Boy: Tales of Childhood* and they are producing a range of pieces of extended writing based on a variety of stimuli.



P.E

In Year 6, pupils build on their developing athletics skills from year 5, focusing on improving technique in running, jumping and throwing events.

They will take part in a wider range of track and field activities, developing confidence, coordination and resilience.



R.E

Year 6 pupils will be continuing the topic of 'Christian Salvation' before moving onto 'Christianity - The Kingdom of God', where they will investigate the question, What kind of king is Jesus?

Design Technology

During this term, Year 6 will be continuing with their picture puzzle project. They are learning how to use basic hand saws safely to create a jigsaw puzzle from a painting they have designed. They will be understanding the importance of rules for the workshop because of the risks around the room.

Computing

This half term, Year 6 are studying audio production.

The pupils are going research online safety, to write a script and record a short Podcast. Pupils will use software to edit the Podcast.

PSHRE

This half term, the children will look at the topic of "Relationships" during their Life Skills/ PSHE lesson. This topic will cover their relationship with their own mental health, love and loss and how to stay safe online. Within this, we shall be discussing what mental health is and how to protect it during challenges.

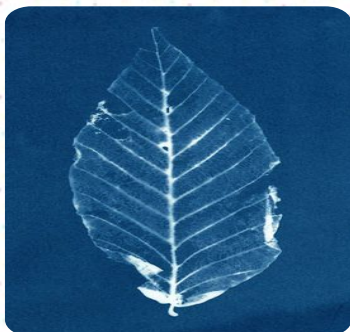
MFL - Spanish

In this half term, we will begin our topic of "free time and hobbies" by looking at how to name various activities in Spanish. Using our opinion vocabulary, we will explain what we like and dislike to do in our free time. We will continue to practise forming the present tense with these key verbs and learn how to say the frequency in which we carry out our hobbies.



History

This term, year 6 will be studying their local history - of both Bromsgrove and Birmingham. They will develop their chronology skills looking at key events on a timeline, then examine how both areas developed. We shall look at oral stories of how residents were affected by the events of WW2 and the Birmingham Blitz, then how Birmingham was rebuilt. Focus studies on local people will also help pupils to relate their stories to the area.



Geography

Year 6 pupils will finish their topic looking at how we live by looking at reasons for poverty across the world and here in the UK along with the impacts of living in poverty and how we can help and support others less fortunate than ourselves.

Art

During our journey into Botanical Illustration we are continuing to learn about different key artists in order to develop our artistic skills and experimentation. We will be looking at the artists Rory McEwan and Anna Atkins learning about their craft and creating watercolour artworks as well as experimenting with the camera-less photography process known as cyanotypes.



Music

6SR and 6FB will be learning the cornet this term. Our other two classes will be exploring the music of Spain and Indonesia in a World Music topic. They will explore music's role in different cultures and traditions, look at different time metres, improvise, and perform on tuned percussion.



Homework

In Year 6, pupils will be set weekly homework. This will include:

- A piece of Maths homework
- A piece of English homework
- Spellings

We also expect pupils to read for a minimum of three times per week at home.

Other subjects will set additional homework to aid learning outside of the classroom when needed. This will be added onto epraise.

Extra Curricular Clubs

From sports to creative arts and wellbeing, there's something for everyone. Clubs help pupils build skills, make friends, and enjoy new experiences in a fun, supportive environment. Log in via a parents/carers' epraise account to learn more.

	Summer 1 Extra-Curricular Activities				
	At Catshill Middle School, we offer a variety of extra-curricular clubs that inspire and engage pupils beyond the classroom. From sports to creative arts and wellbeing, there's something for everyone. These clubs help pupils build skills, make friends, and enjoy new experiences in a fun and supportive environment. Log in via a parents/carers' epraise account to find out more information!				
Monday	Street Dance	Modulo Orchestra			
Tuesday	KS2 Multi-Sports	KS3 Board Games Club (lunch)	Year 5 Football	Girls Football	Book Club (lunch)
Wednesday	CMS Choir (before school)	Drama Club	Play On! Cornet Lessons	Computing Club (lunch)	
Thursday	KS2 Multi-Sports	Netball (all years)	Ukulele Club (lunch)	Play On! Cornet Lessons	Year 6 Football
Friday	Keyboard Club (lunch)	School Band			

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