



Year 6 Summer 2

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Maths

This half term in Year 6 maths, we are consolidating key learning and preparing pupils for Year 7. Children will revisit essential topics such as number and place value, the four operations, fractions, decimals, percentages, shape, ratio, and statistics, applying their knowledge through rich problem-solving tasks and real-life investigations.

The aim is to deepen understanding, build confidence, and strengthen fluency and reasoning skills. We will also support pupils in developing independence and resilience in maths, ensuring they are "Year 7 ready" by practising mental strategies, exploring multi-step problems, and using mathematical language effectively.

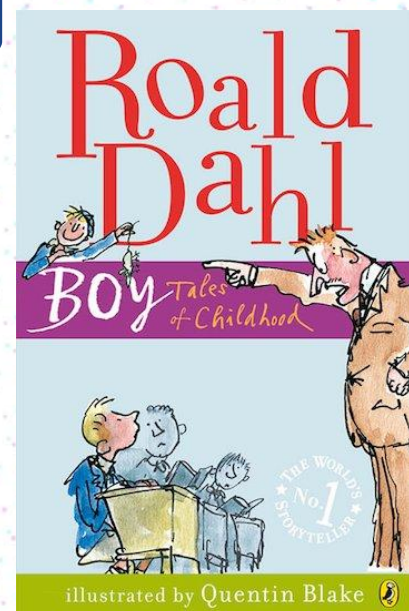
Science

In this small step, children learn about fossils and how they are formed. They explored the process of fossilisation in Year 3. In this block, children revisit and deepen their understanding of fossilisation.

By the end of this step, children should be confident in recalling that a fossil is the imprint in a rock of a living thing that lived a long time ago.

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 looking at the question, 'Why do some people believe in God and some people not?' This question encourages pupils to explore different viewpoints and understand that people have a variety of beliefs.

Design Technology

During this half term, year 6 will be starting their cooking and nutrition module. They will be investigating how bread is made, conducting some sensory analysis of different types of bread and having the opportunity to bake their own bread.

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 "Changing Me" during their PSHE lesson. This topic will cover their own self image, puberty and the changes in a baby from conception to birth. We shall also look at friendships and other children .

MFL - Spanish

For the final half term of the year, we will continue to discuss our free time in Spanish- focussing on sports. We will name a variety of sports and look at the key verbs "hacer and jugar" in the present tense.

We will then use our knowledge of countries to discuss the World Cup in Spanish and from a cultural perspective, look into the importance of football as a sport in Spain.



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 finish the year by focussing on the key geography skills they will need to use over the summer holidays and beyond. Pupils look at the different types of maps we use paying close attention to Ordnance Survey maps

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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