



# YEAR 6

## Autumn Term Newsletter



### English



We will start the term looking at the poem by Lord Alfred Tennyson—'The Charge of the Light Brigade'. During this time, children will be taught the skills required to write their own version of the poem.

We will then start our units based on William Shakespeare's work, focusing on Macbeth and writing biographies based on William Shakespeare.

Alongside these writing units, we will also focus on a range of fiction, poetry and non-fiction texts in our guided reading sessions, where children will be taught and given time to demonstrate their predictions, comprehension and ability to summarise a text in a variety of ways.

### Maths



We will be following the Power maths programme, which challenges and stretches children's thinking and skills in mathematics. The units we will cover this term include:

- \* Understanding and applying the four operations  
(+, -, x and ÷)
- \* Fractions
- \* Geometry – Position and Direction

### Science

Our science unit for Autumn two will be 'Electricity', where children will learn about building circuits, the differences between conductors and insulators as well as creating a circuit to function our own set of traffic lights.

#### Circuit Symbols



### During the afternoon sessions children will be taught:

Geography - Water World

Design and Technology - Food—Come Dine with Me

Computing - Programming—Making Games

Re - What is a church?

JIGSAW - Celebrating Difference

Music - Dynamics, Pitch and texture (Theme: Fingal's Cave)

MFL - Shopping

Our whole school 'Core Value' this term is **RESPECT**



PE is every **Thursday and Friday**

Our focus this half-term will be the social learning cog. During this unit children will be taught how to co-operate well with others and encouraged to give helpful feedback to play 'River Crossing' and 'Kadabi'. They will also acquire the skills to organise roles and responsibilities to guide a small group through a task.

For all PE sessions please remember to remove earrings and send children with their water bottles and wearing their outdoor PE kit. During this time, we will utilise the outside space so may spend these sessions outdoors.



Weekly homework will be set and handed out on a **Friday**. This will be expected to be returned on **Wednesdays**. If your child finds any of this difficult please advise them to speak with the class teacher and extra support can be given.

Reading Plus will run alongside home reading books and journals, so please ensure children bring their reading books to school daily.