



*'Being Better Every Day'*

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024

**Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter – Term 3**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to share our third curriculum newsletter of the school year! Here is another great unit we have planned for year 6.

*In **Term 3**, our unit title is 'Earth and Space, the Final Frontier'*



*During this exciting and motivating History unit, the children will learn about the Cold War and how it led to the space race in the years after the Second World War. They will investigate the first satellite, the first men and women in space and profile the key leaders from the time. The children will also explore the huge scientific changes that took place during this period.*

During this unit, your child will attempt to answer the concept question:

***'What impact did the Space Race have on the world today?'***

(We have attached a 'Knowledge Organiser', providing an overview of the unit; this should be a useful resource for pupils and parents.)

### **Home Learning Project**

For each topic, we will ask your child to complete a home-learning project. We ask that every child has a go at completing a project that can be brought into school. For this topic, we would like your child to produce a report detailing the reasons the Cold War occurred.

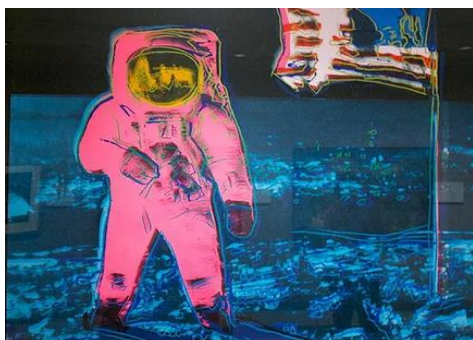
Alternatively, your child may want to do one of the projects listed below:

- 3D model of an Apollo shuttle.
- Pop-Art style 60s picture of the Space race.
- PowerPoint Presentation charting the failed and successful space missions during this period.
- Space-scape/moon-scape.

Your child may wish to come up with their own idea for their home learning project. Your child may wish to complete their project by themselves or need your support in completing their project – either is fine and we look forward to see them.

### **Images**

Below are some images to inspire your home-school projects.



We have also included a list of websites you could explore at home to help your child with their learning

### **Useful Websites:**

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/41491704>

[https://www.ducksters.com/history/cold\\_war/summary.php](https://www.ducksters.com/history/cold_war/summary.php)

SATs papers for prep/revision:

<https://www.sats-papers.co.uk/>

Home learning projects should be completed by the week beginning **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2025**.

### **Reading**

Reading is the single most important skill that children will learn, and we expect every child to read at home every day. In Year 6, we expect every child to read with an adult for a minimum of **20 minutes** every day. Reading takes on many forms and can take place just about anywhere, including the reading of labels and signs, and in magazines and comics. Parents and carers should record the daily reading activity in your child's reading record and send it in daily.

### **Times Tables**

Additionally, we would like the children to be practising their times tables every day for at least **20 minutes**. The children all have an individual account for **Times Table Rock Stars** which they can use to support their learning. The aim is for all children to improve and learn all their times tables facts.

### **SATS books**

This term we will continue to be sending home pages of SATs revision activities weekly. These may relate to a unit we have taught in class or be set to go over anything that a certain child might need to focus on.

In addition, a 'menu' of additional homework activities linked to the History unit will be provided in term 3. These tasks are optional.

### **PE**

This term, our PE lesson will take place on **Friday** afternoon for both classes. Your child should wear their PE kit to school on this day.

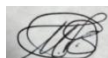
We would like to wish you all a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely,



Parks class

Miss Elms



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Mr Bardot

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