

Learning Logs, Homework and Reminders

Homework is handed out each week on a Friday and must be returned to school by **Tuesday**. Children will be given writing, spellings and maths homework. If homework is not completed / handed in on Tuesday, then it will be completed during your child's play time as the work links directly to the work taught in class and is a crucial part of their learning.

Reading books will be changed when needed. Please encourage your child to read daily and to note important information in their **Learning Log**.

Your child will already have their username and password for **Bug Club**. This is an online reading resource where your child will be able to read a range of texts selected by their teacher, please encourage your child to read as much as possible at home this year as it really does help with their spelling, punctuation, grammar, vocab and develops their imaginations.

Spanish, Music and PE

Year 6 will be focusing on how to describe someone and the body parts, in Spanish, and will be learning Christmas songs ready for the Christmas performance, in Music lessons. In art we will focus on Political Art exploring the meaning of art work with links to Banksy, Bob and Roberta Smith and Jeremy Deller.

P.E

Hummingbirds: Monday

Nightingales: Friday

Key Dates

Fireworks Event:
Friday 8th November

Assembly:

Nightingales– Wednesday 13th November at 3:15

Trips:

Houses of Parliament tour

Hummingbirds– 5.12.19

Nightingales 12.12.19

Gainsborough Primary School Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in
Year 6,

We hope you had a wonderful break.
We are really looking forward to all our new
learning opportunities.

Adults Working in Year 6

Hummingbirds - Miss Mohamed, Miss Robb,
Mr Roper

Nightingales - Miss McMurrie, Miss Chatzi
Intervention Teacher - Miss Bilgetay
Learning Mentor - Mr Blacker

Our Campaign this half term is

Peer Mediation.

This means that as year 6 pupils, we will be trained in how to mediate issues between other pupils in the playground. We have already started our training and will continue to practise our mediation skills, sticking to the rules and promises, ensuring that everyone is safe and happy.

Gainsborough Keeps

Excellence in learning. Always
striving.



Keep Kind
Keep Green
Keep Healthy
Keep Connected
Keep Safe
Keep Giving

This half term we are focusing on Keep Kind. The children will think about ways to support those in our local community and around the world by supporting and donating.

Reading

We are looking at different questions types in reading.

Our class readers are 'You Rule! Lonely Planet Kids'.

To support your child at home please encourage them to read each evening, completing their summaries in their Learning Logs.

In Accelerated reader we are aiming that children read regularly enough to be able to complete online quizzes showing their understanding of the text and their overall comprehension, inference and deduction skills.

Writing

Our writing units this half term are linked with Rulers and Government .

We will engage in a narrative with dialogue. A newspaper article with a focus on rhetorical questions and a manifesto.

In order to support you child/children with their writing, please help them with their yr 5/6 spellings as these are a big focus this half term. If you are unsure of what these are, please see overleaf. These spellings are in addition to the weekly spellings homework.

Maths

This half term we will continue to focus on multiplication and division, and will continue to learn about place value and using the four operations within different contexts.

We will also be looking at Fractions, Decimals and Percentages, Measure and ways in which to develop our understanding and use of the 4 operations and fluency within all areas of Maths.



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

Curriculum

Rulers and Government

We will be exploring the world of politics! The children will be studying democracy and how voters within a constituency elect a Member of Parliament to represent them in Government.

We will explore world leaders and how they have made major changes to our world and lives.

<https://www.parliament.uk/education/teaching-resources-lesson-plans/introduction-to-parliament-ks2-video/>

Electricity

We will investigate the different components of a circuit. The children will draw a circuit and become familiar with the difference between a series and parallel circuit. They will investigate resistance. They will look at how to investigate their own questions, developing reasoning skills as well as learn about how electricity works.

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zj44jxs>

Re Week

In RE we will be looking the Christmas story as well as the religion of Buddhism.

The children will learn about Peace and how all world religions emulate it.

ICT

This half term in ICT, we will be looking at HTML, Multimedia and Animation.

The students will be encouraged to take on the role of the 'teacher' and help their peers learn, through pupil led sessions.