



Gainsborough Primary School Year 6 Newsletter

Science Evolution and Inheritance



We will explore the process of evolution and adaptation in Science.

We will learn more about why we look like our parents and family members. The home learning packs and the website below will provide direction.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zvhwvcw>

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 6,
Happy New Year. We hope you are all well and are ready for more exciting learning opportunities

PE

PE lessons this half term will focus on handball and Tag-Rugby.

Class PE day: Thursday

Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit on these days.

Adults Working in Year 6

Ravens - Miss Muganga
Intervention Teacher - Mrs Bilgetay

Our Campaign this half term is
Year 6's campaign this half term is 'keep safe' focusing on how to we can stay safe when we are out of school.



Rights Respecting Schools

We are a rights respecting school which means we place the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child at the heart of our ethos and curriculum.

This half term we are focusing on:

Article 13 You have the right to find out things and share what you think with others, by talking, drawing, writing or in any other way unless it harms or offends other people.

Article 30 You have the right to be protected from being hurt and mistreated, in body or mind.

Gainsborough Keeps
Excellence in learning. Always striving.

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



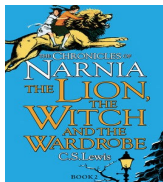
Attendance and Punctuality

This year the children in Year 6 are aiming for 100 attendance. School is open to children from 8:45am. The children can come into class and complete an activity, ensuring that they are on time and ready for the start of lessons at 9am.

This half term we are focusing on Keep Safe. As we begin the term we are ensuring we keep ourselves and each other safe from COVID 19. We are also focusing on keeping safe online in school and out of school. With so many of us on devices at home each day we must follow safer internet use at all times.

Writing

Our writing units this half term are based around the story 'The Lion the Witch and Wardrobe'. The children will be writing a setting description - Going through the wardrobe and discovering Narnia. They will also be writing formal and informal letters.



The SPAG objectives we will be focusing on in our writing this half term are:

- Using figurative language to describe.
- Using a relative clauses beginning with 5Ws
- Use of the semi-colon, colon and dash to mark the boundary between independent
- Punctuation of bullet points to list information
- How hyphens can be used to avoid ambiguity

Reading

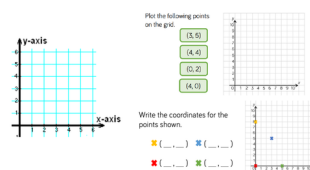
- This half term we will be enjoying the story "The Lion the Witch and Wardrobe" our class reader.
- We will be practising our summarising skills by regularly completing summaries in our learning logs.
- To support your child at home please read with them everyday and encourage them to summarise into their reading logs .
- Children will continue to access Reading Plus at home. The username and password will be found on the inside cover of the homework books.
- Reading lessons will continue to focus on answering a range of question types, based on the book that they are reading. <https://student.readingplus.com/seereader/api/sec/login>

Maths

This half term we will be looking at position and direction, decimals, percentages and algebra. Please continue supporting your child's learning at home by continuing to practice their times tables using Times Table Rockstars daily and complete tasks on Mathletics using the following websites.

The username and password will be found on the inside cover of the homework book.

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>
<https://login.mathletics.com/>



Topic



Mayan Civilisation

This half term, we will be looking at Mayan Civilisation

We will be exploring the sophisticated ancient civilisation and comparing them against our own beliefs. The children will explore the foods, fashions, the game of death and the importance of religion.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zq6sxcw>

Art

In art children will be exploring tribal masks during the first half term, creating a design using symmetry, patterns and positive & negative space.

Computing

ICT this half term links directly with our Campaign and will create presentations on the importance of staying safe online.

