## For your calendar:



I've always wondered...Coffee morning
Y1-17.11.23
YN - 22.11.23
at 8.00 am
Come along and ask anything you have wondered about (school related). Miss Swann and Mrs Dray will take school age children out to play whilst the coffee morning is happening.

Please fill in the Google Form here if you would like to attend.

## Friday 17.11.23

PTA Mufti Day
in exchange for a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair Tomobola.
(Please remember we are a nut free school)


## Coming up soon:

| November |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| w/b Monday 13.11.23 | - | Internal clubs start |
| Monday 13.11.23 | ${ }^{-}$ | YR - Y6 Wear odd socks (with your uniform) to school day - Anti Bullying Week initiative |
| Monday 13.11.23 | 8.00pm | PTA Meeting at The Blenheim |
| Tuesday 14.11.23 | - | Y5 Space Dome experience at school |
| Friday 17.11.23 | 8.00am - 8.35am | I've always wondered....Coffee morning for Yl Parents/Carers - Book here |
| Friday 17.11.23 | - | PTA Mufti Day (Please bring in a chocolate bar for the Christmas Fair tombola) |
| Monday 20.11.23 | All day | 6 Visit Tate Britain and Houses of Parliament |
| Tuesday 21.11.23 | 8.30am - East Gate <br> 3.05pm - West Gate | PTA Second hand uniform sale |
| Wednesday 22.11.23 | - | Y6 visit to Epsom Council Chambers |
| Wednesday 22.11.23 | 8.00am - 8.35am | I've always wondered....Coffee morning for YN Parents/Carers - Book here |
| Thursday 23.11.23 | Morning | YR visit to Christ Church |
| Friday 24.11.23 | 9.15am-10.15am | Prospective families Open Morning - School and Nursery - please book via our website. |
| Friday 24.11.23 | Evening | PTA Wreath Making event |

## Reminders for you:




Friday 24.11.23
PTA Wreath Making Event
Please book via PTA Events.


## Driving Reminder

Last Wednesday, a car mounted the kerb, just outside school, to drop their child off. There were parents/childminders and children walking along the pavement who came into school very shaken as the car could so easily have hit them. This is the third message in as many weeks to remind parents/carers to be considerate and responsible when bringing children into school.

## Y2 - Y6 Battle of the Bands

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and give it a high profile in our school, we are taking part in a friendly competition involving schools in England. The competition runs from 07:30 Tuesday 14 November 2023 to 19:30 Thursday 16 November 2023. It's all done online via Wonde and TTRS.

Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. The Times Tables Rock Stars platform will calculate the class average (the number of correct answers per pupil in the class who play during the competition hours, subject to a daily 60 -minute limit (see below)). Winning classes in the school and in the competition as a whole will be the ones with the highest average.

To support player wellbeing, there is a daily time limit of 60-minutes per player. Once the player goes beyond 60 -minutes of play on that day, they will still earn coins but will no longer earn points towards the competition.

In the spirit of the competition, please don't play on their behalf but by all means encourage and support them to the extent that it doesn't cause high stress levels or impact on family plans.

Which class will be victorious? Good luck.

Year 1 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

## Thank You

The children had a
fantastic time visiting Epsom Library last week. It was great to see them
demonstrating their school values outside of school.
Thank you very much to our volunteers who came along with us.

## Waterproof Coat

Please can you make sure that your child brings in a waterproof coat every day.

Thank You

## Year 1 spelling words

Can you write these words in a sentence?


In maths this week, we are we are subtracting to find the difference, focussing on using a number line to help us understand the relationship between subtraction and counting back.

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8-5=3
$$



I need to start from 8 $\qquad$ I need to make 5 _ jumps backwards.
I land on 3
Our wider curriculum this week includes science. We will be continuing our investigation about different types of plants. This week our enquiry question will be: Do all plants have flowers?

In PSHE, we will be talking about bullying and looking at how we can 'spot it and stop it' if we witness bullying. We will also be discussing the different types of bullying.

In geography, we will be looking back to our fieldwork from our trip on how the land is used in Epsom. We will be thinking about what human features we saw most of and creating posters about Epsom.

In design technology, we will be using our knowledge on different food groups to follow a recipe to make our own quinoa salad.

Have a great week.
Mrs Blackler, Mrs Herman and Mrs Smith

## Year 2 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

## Changing Reading Books

The children are expected to change their reading book every day if they need to. This should be done independently when the children come in to school. For longer chapter books they are welcome to keep the book for longer.


## PE

Please can you put a spare pair of socks in your child's PE bag so that they can change them if they get wet outside.

This is also useful if they are wearing tights to school that day, so they don't get too hot during the PE lesson.

Thank you.

In English this week, we will be learning how to use adverbs in our written work in order to add detail. We will be writing a description of the characters from 'Dougal's Deep Sea Diary' by Simon Bartram. We will also be continuing to use expanded noun phrases and commas when writing more than one adjective.

In reading, we will be starting a new book called 'Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish' by Michael Foreman. We will be using our inference skills to determine what we think the book is about. We will be designing a new front cover and writing a blurb.

In Spelling Shed this week the children will be learning to spell words that end in 'al' e.g. petal, metal, capital, hospital, animal etc.

The spelling quiz will take place on Friday and will be completed in the children's Learning Journals.

| For review: | today, are, put |
| :--- | :--- |
| Might be new: | both, child |
| Can you do? | really, difficult, actually |

‘*' indicates new learning

| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | Know 2x table at speed |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 3 . 1 1 . 2 3}$ | Know 10x table at speed |
|  | Add and subtract 1-digit from 2 digit at speed |
|  | Calculate 10 more at speed |
|  | Know facts relating to pairs of 10s to 100 |
| $\mathbf{\text { w/b }}$ | Add two 1-digit numbers at speed |
| $\mathbf{2 0 . 1 1 . 2 3}$ | Know 10x table at speed |
|  | Know 2x table at speed |
|  | Add and subtract 1-digit from 2-digit at speed |
|  | Count on in 2s |
| Add units at speed |  |

In maths, the children will be starting by subtracting two 2-digit numbers (across a 10 ) for example $81-25=56$. They will exchange 1 ten for 10 ones in order to complete the subtraction, when the number that they are subtracting has more ones than the number they are
subtracting from. They will consolidate their learning of addition and subtraction by needing to think how to tackle word problems. They will then compare number sentences, with the focus not just on working out the values of the calculations, but rather comparing the numbers within them, for example, when comparing $32+24$ and $32+27$, children do not need to work out both totals; instead, they should recognise that 32 is the same in each, and since 27 is greater than 24 , this means that $32+27$ is greater than $32+24$.

In science, we will be reviewing our learning on materials this term and seeing how much we can remember.

In PSHE, we will be continuing looking at the differences we can have and particularly continuing to look at stereotypes that we may experience.

Have a great week,
Mrs Jayasuriya, Mrs Price and Mrs Williams

Year 3 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

## We need your help

Next week, we will be writing a biography of a family member. To be able to do this, the children will be bringing home a questionnaire to complete with a family member parent, grandparent, uncle or aunt, etc. Please could you help your child complete it and bring it back to school.

## Battle of the Bands

Next week Year 3 will be taking part in the Battle of the Bands competition on TTRS. The competition runs from 07:30 Tuesday 14 November to 19:30 Thursday 16 November. Children can play in any game mode with every correct answer to a multiplication or division question, earning themselves, their class and the school a point. Which class will be victorious?


This week in English, we will continue to look at biography. Linking with our learning in art, we will be writing a biography of Sir Quentin Blake. We will research his life using a number of sources and make notes, taking care to organise them into chronological order under specific subheadings. In reading, we will be starting our new class book, The Sheep Pig by Michael Morpurgo. Our focus for reading will be inference, where we draw conclusions about a text using reasoning and evidence.

These are the spelling words for our quiz this week. We would appreciate it if you could please help your child to practise them at home.

| For review: | again, Christmas, people |
| :--- | :--- |
| Might be new: | early, group, quarter |
| Can you do? | consider, guard |

In maths, we will be continuing to learn about column subtraction, by working on exchanging across a ten or a hundred. Next, we will be applying our subtraction and addition skills to a range of problems and scenarios. Finally, at the end of the week we will be looking at how we can check our answers using estimation.

Amir is thinking of a number.


How many tens could Amir's number have?
Give reasons for your answer.

Coming up soon in speedy maths (*indicates new learning):

| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | *Add 1-digit to 3-digit numbers |
| :---: | :--- |
| 13.11 .23 | Know 6x table at speed <br>  <br> Know 3x and 4x table at speed <br>  <br>  <br> Add two tens at speed. <br> Know division facts for 2x, $5 x, 10 x$ tables at speed. <br> $\mathbf{w / b}$ <br> *Subtract 1-digit from 3-digit numbers <br> 20.11 .23 |
|  | Know 3x and 6x tables at speed. |
| Add two tens at speed. |  |

In science this week, we will be asking the question, 'Why was Mary Anning important?' We will be adding to what we have already found out about Mary Anning in our previous reading lessons, consider what scientific skills Mary Anning had and how important she is to science. In geography we will be thinking about how to predict, plan and prepare for earthquakes and will discuss the impact that earthquakes have on settlements. Our RE focus will be on what happens at Pesach (Passover). We will be learning about the Passover story and the significance of the Seder plate. In DT, we will be making our final garments for our toy figures.

Homework this week is a My Maths assignment on column subtraction, including subtractions with exchanging. This will be available from Tuesday 14 November for completion by Tuesday 21 November.

Enjoy your week,
Ms James, Miss Jenkins, Mrs Spooner and Miss Verlander

## Year 4 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

TTRS
Times Tables Rock Stars
(TTRS) now has its own
parent hub where parents
can find out more
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## Internal Clubs

A reminder that this half term's internal clubs start from today.

## Coats

Please could you ensure that your child has a name-labelled waterproof coat, with a hood, in school each day.

In English this week, we will be exploring other forms of advertisements. At the beginning of the week, we will focus on TV adverts and the effect they have on their viewer. Later on in the week, we will be listening to radio adverts and comparing these to the other advertisements we have looked at so far this half term. The children will use their knowledge of adverts to complete a comprehension activity on Friday.

This week's spelling quiz words (taken from the Y4 Autumn term list) will be:

| For review: | important, position, guide |
| :--- | :--- |
| Might be new: | question, naughty, interest |
| Can you do: | system, neighbour |

In maths this week, we will be beginning a new unit of work on multiplication and division. As you'll be aware from your recent PCTC, it is expected that by the end of Year 4 all children know all their times tables up to $12 \times 12$. If your child's heatmap isn't as green as it could be, the next few week's maths lessons should help motivate the children to get on their TTRS every day. Just 5 minutes practise every day will make a huge difference to their ability to recall facts at speed and will reap the rewards of this with every session they do. This week's lessons focus on looking at multiples of 3,6 and 9 , their associated multiplication and division facts and how these tables are linked. The children will be making links, spotting patterns and creating representations to help learn the 6 and $9 \times$ tables.

Coming up in speedy maths (*indicates new learning):

| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | *Know 11x table at speed |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 3 . 1 1 . 2 3}$ | Know 7x, 8x,9x table at speed. |
|  | Know 2x,3x,4x,5x,6x,10x tables and related division facts at speed. |
|  | Add and subtract pairs of 2-digit numbers at speed. |
| Give change from £1 at speed |  |

## Year 5 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

## Internal Clubs

A reminder that this half term's internal clubs start from today.

## Space Dome

We will be enjoying a virfual visit to the stars this week.

The Space Dome is in school on Tuesday and we can't wait to learn more about space in this exciting, immersive experience.

## Boy at the Back of the Class

There is a theatre performance of our Year Group reading book, The Boy at the Back of the Class happening at Kingston's Rose Theatre in February 2024. Details can be found here: https://rosetheatre.org/whats-on/136/based-on-the-
bestselling-novel/the-boy-at-the-back-of-the-class

In English this week, we will be looking at how we plan and write a twisted fairy tale together as a class. In reading, we will be looking at how to use our inference skills to understand the story line more clearly in The Arrival by Shaun Tan. This week in class and on Spelling Shed we will look at the spelling pattern -ent.

The children will be having a spelling quiz on Friday on these words:

| For review: | possess, forward, decide |
| :--- | :--- |
| Might be new: | especially, definite, immediate |
| Can you do? | bruise, symbol |

In maths, we will start the week with finishing off our multiplication unit by finding multiples of 10,100 and 1000 . We will then be beginning our fractions unit. We will be finding equivalent fractions to a unit and non-unit fraction, then end the week with converting improper fractions to mixed numbers.

Our speedy maths will be:

| $\mathbf{w} / \mathbf{b}$ | Know pairs of hundreds to 1000. |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 3 . 1 1 . 2 1}$ | Know all tables to $12 \times 12$ including division facts at speed. |
|  | Know pairs of numbers to 180. |
| Convert cm to mm and vice versa |  |
| Convert L to ml and vice versa |  |$|$| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | Add 2-digit to 3-digit numbers |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{2 0 . 1 1 . 2 1}$ | Add and subtract pairs of 2-digit numbers at speed. <br> Know pairs of hundreds to 1000. <br> Know all tables to 12x12 including division facts at speed. <br> Know pairs of numbers to 180. <br> Convert cm to m and vice versa |

In RE we will be taking a virtual tour of a synagogue and learning about Jewish artefacts. We will be specifically looking at the tefillin and will be making our own using cube nets.

With anti-bullying week in mind, in PSHE we will be learning about the different types of bullying and what could resolve certain scenarios or make them worse.

## Astrodome Workshop Payments

This is a reminder that the voluntary contribution of $£ 5.35$ was due at the end of October. If you haven't yet paid, please could you log on to Scopay to make the payment. Thank you to those who have already paid.

Have a wonderful week,
Mrs Beadle, Miss Ozyakup and Mrs Temlett


Year 6 Weekly Information w/b 13.11.23

Upcoming Trips<br>Tate/Houses of Parliament,<br>6L: 20.11.23<br>6DA: 27.11.23<br>6B: 9.1.23<br>Epsom Council Chambers,<br>All Year 6: 22.11.23

## Mock Tests

This week we will be completing a set of old National Curriculum Test papers to help familiarise children with the experience ahead of the summer.

In English, we are continuing to read our new book of Clockwork or All Wound Up and we will be investigating Pullman's portrayal of the characters in the book, as well as his world building and scene setting. We will also be completing reading and GPS papers to help children gain some exposure to National Curriculum Tests (NCTs, also known as SATS). We will self-mark and reflect on these to come up with targets to help our learning.

This week's spelling quiz words for Friday's quiz:

| For review: | communicate, desperate, programme |
| :--- | :--- |
| Might be new: | controversy, embarrass, foreign |
| Can you do? | exceed, further |

In maths this week, we will be completing a range of NCT tests in order to help us gain some exposure and confidence when tackling these papers. After completing each paper, we will be self-marking these and reflecting on areas we can work on developing. These papers will come home after we are finished with them at school, feel free to see how your child got on.

Coming up soon in speedy maths:

|  | Know all tables to $12 \times 12$ including division facts at speed. |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | Convert L to ml and vice versa. |
| $\mathbf{1 3 . 1 1 . 2 3}$ | Know pairs of numbers to 180. |
|  | Convert cm to mand vice versa. |
|  | Add and subtract p from £\&p |
| $\mathbf{w / b}$ | Add and subtract pairs of 2-digit numbers at speed. |
| $\mathbf{2 0 . 1 1 . 2 3}$ | Convert m to km and vice versa |
|  | Know all tables to 12x12 including division facts at speed. |
|  | Know common equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. |
|  | Use tables to work out related x and $\div$ at speed. |

In the wider curriculum, we are going to be studying further the actions of Rosa Parks and the impact she had on the American civil rights movement. In science, we are going to be looking at classification keys and how they can help us to identify different organisms. Our art will
continue to focus on the work of Bridget Riley - we can't wait for the children to get to see her work in person at the Tate Britain soon.

Unfortunately, Mrs Bow and Mr Deane-Armstrong are unwell at the moment - we hope they feel better soon.

We expect Mrs Bowe to return to school next week. 6B will be taught by the following:
Tuesday - Mrs James
Wednesday - Mrs Kellett
Thursday - Mrs James
Friday - Supply Teacher
Monday - Supply Teacher
6DA will be taught by a Supply Teacher tomorrow and hopefully Mr Deane-Armstrong will be well enough to return to school on Wednesday.

## Houses of Parliament and Tate Britain

The first of our trips to London is on 20 November for 6 L . Thank you to everyone for getting the consent forms back so quickly. This is a reminder that the voluntary contribution of $£ 7.85$ can still be paid on Scopay. Thank you to everyone who has already paid.

Have a great week,
Mrs Bowe, Mr Deane-Armstrong and Mr Loughlin

