<u>Heathfield Junior School</u> <u>Year 6 Curriculum Bulletin</u> <u>Spring Term 2024</u>

Welcome back, and happy new year.

The Heathfield Way:

"The Heathfield Way' underpins all that we do in school. We expect all members of the Heathfield community to:

- Learn and let others learn
- Respect all people and property
- Work hard and try their very best

When children follow, 'The Heathfield Way' they will be awarded housepoints, which are recorded in their reading diary.

English

We will be studying two books this term. *Rose Blanche*, a picture book focusing on a young German girl's perspective of the World War 2. In this block the children will be writing a diary, newspaper report and letter. We then move on to read a modern classic, *Street Child*, based on a child's experiences in Victorian London. You may wish to prepare your child for this book by watching an adaptation of Oliver Twist.

Maths

The children will learning about measures, ratio, algebra and continue to focus on core arithmetic. In Year 6 we take enormous pride in tailoring the maths curriculum to suit the learning needs of our individual groups. Children also complete a weekly arithmetic test with papers sent home for corrections to be made.

Homework

- Maths homework will be set on a Monday and is due in on the Friday of the same week.
- SPAG homework will be set on a Monday and is due in on the Friday of the same week
- Spellings will be set on a Friday and will be tested on the following Friday.
- Reading journals will be checked by the class teacher every day, could you please sign your child's journal every day and make a comment on their reading.

Due to the importance of Year 6, we would expect an hour to be a good estimate of time for the Non-Core homework and half an hour for the Maths.

A homework club will run every lunchtime during the week and all children are encouraged to attend.

Science

In the first half-term we will be looking at light before moving on to electricity in the second half-term.

Humanities

We will continue to look at World War 2 then move onto Geography location and map skills after half-term.

PE/Games

All children will be expected to have their kit in school all week. For PE they will need a house T-shirt and black shorts. For games they will need appropriate clothing to go outside: tracksuit, sweatshirts and trainers.

School Uniform

At Heathfield Junior School we pride ourselves on our smart appearance. All children are expected to wear:

- Purple school sweatshirt or cardigan
- Fleece with school logo (optional/outside)
- White/purple polo shirt
- White, black or grey socks or tights
- Black shoes (no boots or sandals)
- Black or grey tailored trousers or skirt (no leggings)

Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is labelled.

2024 Spring Term Dates for the Diary

Boundless Dance: Wednesday 31st January (in school)

Parents' Evening: Monday 5th February Parents' Evening: Tuesday 6th February

Final Osmington Bay Meeting: Tuesday 27th February, 9am National Archives Virtual Visit: Various dates in February

Transfer to Secondary School National Offer Day: Friday 1st March

RNLI visit: Friday 1st March (in school)

2024 Spring Term Dates for the Diary/continued

Helping Hands workshop: Wednesday 13th March Theatre Exchange: Thursday 21st March (in school)

DT Day: Thursday 21st March (please can children bring in shoe boxes/similar sized boxes for this activity)

Humanist Visit: TBC (in school)

PGL - Osmington Bay: Friday 22nd March to Monday 25th March

Other important future dates for the diary

SATs Week – Week beginning 13th May. Please do not book appointments during this week.

More details to follow.

Y6 Production: will be performed on Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th July at 7pm

How to Contact Us

We are always happy to see you and discuss any queries or concerns you may have. If you need to make an appointment at any time please contact the school office via telephone 020 8894 3525 or email: office@heathfield-jun.richmond.sch.uk

Kind regards

The Year 6 Team

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