

Welcome back Year 6!

I hope you all had a restful Christmas holiday and are excited to start your penultimate term at Sandridge.

Both **history** and **geography** have a focus on the local area. We will investigate the industries in the UK and closer to home. There will also be an opportunity to explore the physical features close to home and the land use of the surrounding area. In **art**, the class will develop their drawing skills and in **design and technology** Year 6 will be investigating playgrounds and their structure.

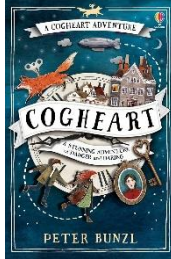
A letter regarding SATs boosters, revision packs and other information will be sent out in the near future.

Class Teachers:

Mr Riley (Monday – Thursday)

Mrs Maddison (Friday)

Supported every day by **Miss Roberts**



In English and Maths, we will be covering the National Curriculum objectives.

English:

In English, Year 6 will initially be finishing their recounts unit focussing on a variety of texts describing a character's day. The class will then develop their own daily routine into an engaging recount.

After, we will be using Peter Bunzl's Cogheart to develop narrative techniques building towards an extended piece of writing inspired by the book. A variety of skills will be covered with specific foci on KS2 grammar and spellings.

Maths:

In Maths, we will cover a range of topics including: mental and written calculations, decimals and fractions, shape and measurement.

Weekly timetable

Monday:

- New spellings given
- PE (wear kit to school)

Thursday:

- Homework due in
- PE (wear kit to school)

Friday

- Spelling test
- Times table Test
- Homework given

Reading books need to be in school daily. Please can you encourage daily reading; it can be of a range of texts. This is a key part of the homework (5 times per week at home is expected).



PE: In PE on a Monday, Mr Riley will teach the children gymnastics in the hall. On a Thursday, Miss Nicholson will be continuing to teach dance indoors. After half term, we will be doing yoga and tennis. *Please refer to the school website & newsletters for correct PE kit and send layers in for colder weather.*

Computing: In Computing, this half term, the children will be looking at 'Creating Media', starting with a unit on webpage design. They will then delve into the world of data and information-exploring spreadsheets and their uses.

Music: In Music this term, we will be looking at dynamics, pitch and texture with a theme around film music. Following half term we will investigate music centred around a Pop Art theme.

RE: In Spring Term, Year 6 will investigate what the Qur'an is and what it means to a range of people. The class will then explore religion through its expressions in arts.

French: Our first unit is, 'My Family', learning the different names for family members and how to describe them. The second half term will involve learning about the weather and its features.

PSHE: We will be covering the topic of dreams and goals; focussing on their motivation, attitude in adversity and recognising achievement when it inevitably occurs.