

Autumn 1 - Year 6

What a busy first half term we have had in Year 6! We have been settling back into working together after the summer holidays. It has been great to be back learning together and seeing all our friends again.

Roles and Responsibilities -

At the beginning of the year, the children applied for special roles and responsibilities by writing letters to the school staff. Applications were carefully considered, and children were shortlisted. Then the staff democratically voted for the Head Pupils. All the children are doing a fantastic job so far and are making a positive difference around school.

English



In English we have been studying 'Goodnight Mister Tom' by Michelle Magorian. We have been practising our writing skills in a range of genres: character descriptions, instruction writing and non-chronological reports. We have also studied the nonsense poem 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll. We had lots of fun trying to work out the meaning of the poem, and even discovered that Lewis Carroll invented words that are now in the dictionary!

Maths

In Maths, we have been showing Mr Collins how confident we are when working with Place Value and Four Operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We have been practising the skills we were taught in Year 5 and using these to solve tricky problems. We have been practising our arithmetic skills every day and our confidence is growing all the time.

History

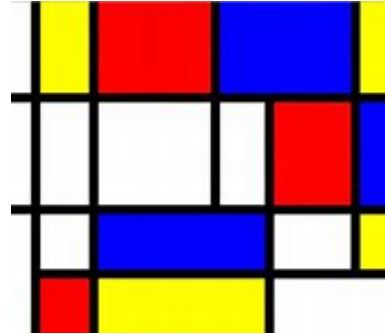
We have been studying the Blitz in our history lessons, looking at the impact it had on people living in Britain. We have learned about evacuation and why the German Luftwaffe bombed so many British towns and cities. We are looking forward a Blitz workshop after the half term break!

Geography

We have been developing our map skills, learning how to use six-figure grid references, and reading ordnance survey maps. We have studied maps of Leigh and the Lake District and look forward to continuing our work next half term.

Art

We have really enjoyed learning about Piet Mondrian and creating our own pieces in the style of this very influential artist!



Science

Our science lessons this half term have been focused on Living Things and Their Habitats. We studied the Linnaean classification system and learned how all plants and animals are classified. We studied micro-organisms and discussed the scientific reasons why it is so important to use soap and water to wash our hands. Finally, we planned a scientific investigation to look at how micro-organisms grow on bread. We are looking forward to seeing what the bread looks like after the holiday!

PESSPA

This half term we have really enjoyed our daily PESSPA lessons. We have been building our stamina for distance running each day.



Visitors -

Throughout this half term, we have been lucky enough to take part in the 'Chameleon Project.' This is a project set up and run by Global Policing and is all about what is right and wrong in society. We have learned all about different laws and common misconceptions surrounding them. Some of the topics we have covered are Burglary, Drugs and Alcohol, Anti-Social Behaviour, Online Safety, and lots more. We have loved working with the Global Policing representatives in learning about all of these interesting topics.

We also enjoyed having representatives from Wigan Athletic, who have been teaching us all about goal setting and having positive role models.

What a busy half term it has been! Well done Year 6!