

Our PE this Half Term

This half term the children will begin by completing their netball unit of learning so please ensure that they have the appropriate warm clothes whilst the weather is still on the chilly side! After this, the PE will be moving



inside with an exciting unit of dance learning which will support their core strength, balance and allow them to express their creativity.

Our Religious Education and World Views this Half Term

This half term we will be looking at Resurrection.

What does it mean? What story is associated with the empty cross? Does everyone believe in resurrection?



How can you help at home?

Reading - Please take time to read with your child at home as much as you can (daily would be amazing) and encourage them to explore as many different text types as they can. This will support their reading ability as part of their journey to being 'secondary ready'. As part of logging their reading on 'Boomreader' the expectation is now for at least one of the three weekly reads to be logged by an adult.

Maths - Personalised homework with key questions will continue this half term mirroring the learning that has been taking place in school. Please speak to one of us if you would like us to share with you how we teach it in school.



Dates for your Diary

Ventnor Botanic Gardens Geography Fieldwork Trip - Date tbc

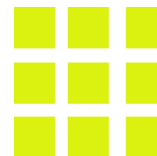
Week commencing 6th Feb 2023 - Design and Technology Week

Mon 13th Feb - Fri 17th Feb 2023 - HALF TERM.

Fri 31st Mar 2023 - Early closing at 1.00pm.

Mon 3rd April - Fri 14th April 2023 - EASTER BREAK.

Mon 1st May 2023 - Bank Holiday - School closed to pupils.



Nine Acres Primary School Spring Term 1 2023

Year 6 Team

Miss Rowe



Mrs Tingle



Mrs Smith



Mrs Sibbick



Mrs Sim



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! Welcome to 2023!

Welcome back! We hope that you and your families have had a good festive period and that the children are ready for the hard work ahead of them over the next six weeks. As usual at Nine Acres, it will be a busy half term of learning building towards them showing us what they can do at the next assessment point. The children have impressed us with how they have acted on their feedback from the year so far and we can't wait to see what they will go on to achieve before February.

With thanks,

Year 6 Team



Knowledge Organiser
'Striving for Excellence'



Year 6 - Spring Term 1 2023 - Biomes

Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

Biomes are the world's major communities where insects, animals, plants and people live in a certain type of climate.

The climate and geography of an area determines what type of biome can exist in that region.

Here are the commonly grouped biomes: Desert, Deciduous Forest, Coniferous Forest, Arctic Tundra, Tropical Rainforest, Grasslands, Taiga.

There are also Marine and Freshwater ecosystems that could be considered the water biomes.

The earth's coldest biome is the tundra which has permanently frozen subsoil, called permafrost.

Key Skills

LO: Identify & name the tropics of Cancer & Capricorn as well as the Arctic and Antarctic Circles.



Lo: Describe and explain climate zones

Lo: Describe and explain biomes and vegetation belts.



LO: Describe how some places are similar & dissimilar in relation to their human & physical features.



LO: Use ordnance survey symbols & 6 figure grid references.



LO: Use maps, aerial photographs, plans & e-resources



Key Vocabulary

Biome – A large, natural occurring community of plants and animals that have common characteristics for the environment they exist in.

Vegetation – Plants considered collectively, especially those found in a particular area or habitat

Continents – Any of the world's main continuous expanses of land

Environment – The surroundings or conditions in which a person, animal or plant lives or operates

Rainforest – A dense forest rich in biodiversity, found typically in tropical areas with consistently heavy rainfall.

Biodiversity – The variety of plant and animal life in a particular habitat. A high level of these are considered to be important and desirable.

Equator – A line notionally drawn on the earth equally apart from the poles, dividing the earth into northern and southern hemispheres.

Hemisphere – Half of a sphere - A half of the Earth, usually divided into the Northern Hemisphere and the Southern Hemisphere. The hemisphere acts as parallel of latitude 0.

Tropic of Cancer – The parallel of latitude 23°27' north tropic of Cancer.

Our English this half term!

Hubble, bubble, toil and trouble... Building on the children's introduction to the world of Shakespeare in Year 5 (when they studied the comedy A Midsummer Night's Dream) things will take a darker turn this half term with one of his most famous tragedies - the Scottish play that actors dare not name... MACBETH! Through a mixture of exposure the original text, adapted versions and an animated interpretation, the children will become experts in this story and will apply their English skills through rousing battle speeches, diary entries, persuasive letters and an action narrative.

Macbeth

Our Maths this half term!

Would you rather have $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1000 or $\frac{2}{7}$ of 2100? This and many other questions will be answered through the children's fractions learning over the next few weeks. They will be embedding their skills



from Year 5 as well as learning new concepts such as dividing fractions. This will then build into their decimals and percentages understanding over the second half of the term.