



# Castle View Primary School

## Year 6 Newsletter

### Autumn Term 1 2021

<p><b>English</b></p> 	<p>Year 6 will begin their English learning by reading the legend of Robin Hood and the Golden Arrow by Geraldine McCaughrean. They will examine how the author uses language for effect and will use their ideas to create imaginary worlds. The children will build towards writing their own narrative while developing grammar skills in punctuation and sentence structure. Following this unit of work the children will look at journalistic writing and will learn about bias and the stylistic features of magazine articles. They will write their own pieces and will have the opportunity to present them to the class. In reading we will be studying a wide range of text types and will work on the skills needed to answer questions in detail. Our class novel for the Autumn is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.</p>
<p><b>Maths</b></p> 	<p>The children will be working hard to continue to develop speed and accuracy in their arithmetic skills which is very important in year 6. They will be learning about place value where they will be reading, ordering and partitioning numbers up to 10 million. They will also be perfecting formal methods in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. As well as this, the children will learn about factors, common multiples and prime numbers.</p>
<p><b>Science</b></p> 	<p>In science the children will be exploring the way that light behaves, including light sources, reflection and shadows. They will conduct a range of interesting investigations and will be able to talk about what happens. The children will work on their scientific enquiry skills with a particular focus on making predictions.</p>
<p><b>Topic</b></p> 	<p>This half term the children will journey through British history as they discover how crime and punishment has changed throughout the ages. They will begin by looking at the Romans and will travel through the ages to the present day. The children will discover how changes in society may create changes in the kind of crimes that are committed, as well as the ways in which they may be punished.</p>
<p><b>Home School Partnership</b></p> 	<p><b>We would like you to help your child at home with the following activities:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reading at least three times in a week.</li><li>• Weekly spellings.</li><li>• Regular practice of times tables and division facts.</li></ul> <p>Please also support your child to have the correct uniform and shoes for school.</p>
<p><b>Reminders</b></p> 	<p>This half term swimming will be on a <b><u>Tuesday afternoon.</u></b> The children will return to school a little later on this day at around by 3:15pm. Swimming starts on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September</p> <p>On Tuesdays the children should come to school in their PE kit as they will also be taking part in a lunchtime sports club.</p> <p>School PE kit is navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms with a white t-shirt. The children can wear their school jumper or cardigan over this.</p>