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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break.



Geography- This term our 'topic' work will be Geography based and we will be looking at our local area. Our big question is 'How have humans impacted our world?'

We will be using the local area to help us understand the terms 'urban' and 'rural' and differences between the two. We will look at features of our own village and compare our school's location with another school in Hampshire.

We will then discuss and plan a new development for the village and look at its impact on those who live and work here. This will involve collecting data and presenting it in a clear way. The children will then put their case forward for one of the options showing how it would benefit the local area.

English- Our texts this term are based around our Geography theme and will look at cities and the countryside. The children will focus on Purpose, Form and Audience when developing their writing, based upon the texts we are studying. They will have the opportunity to create poetry, persuasive letters, information pages and their own short stories.

The children will also continue to refine and hone their comprehension skills, utilising tools such as APE (Answer, Provide evidence and Explain) to help them structure their answers. Reading is such an important skill to develop and so regular reading sessions of their own work and published work will help them develop as readers.

Maths - Children in Kingfisher class, will continue to consolidate their learning in many areas of the maths curriculum and apply what they have already learnt through problem solving and reasoning. All children will be revisiting previous areas involving: place value and formal written methods for multiplication, division, subtraction and addition. Problem solving will be at the heart of this learning, with the opportunities to use the mathematics resources when needed. We will ensure that all children in Kingfisher class are given the help and support they need, both, in school and at home with home-learning.

Science- The topic for the first half of term is Evolution and Inheritance. The children will look at how fossils can help us to learn more about how animals have developed. We will also look at how certain features or characteristics are passed from parent to child. We will look at animals in their habitats and look at how certain characteristics have helped animals survive in these environments and what may happen if global warming continues at pace.

The second half of the term, we will be focusing on the human body and looking at respiration. This will involve the children understanding the respiratory and circulatory system and carrying out their own investigations. They will then have the chance to hypothesise and collect data, before presenting their findings.

Computing- The children will continue using the new curriculum provided by the National Centre of Computing Education which looks to equip the children with the skills needed in a modern world.

This term the children will be using 3D design to create a new installation for Preston Candover.

The children will also be using Scratch to focus on sensing, creating games that will react to an item hitting another.

P.S.H.E and Citizenship- This term we will be looking at our community and what it means to be a global citizen. We will look at how we can help our local community. We shall also consider the lives of others in other parts of the UK and in other parts of the world. We will also be looking at jobs and employment.

Art- The children will be looking at the work of Lowry. They will be using their local area to create their own paintings in response to his work. They will experiment using different materials and construct their back, mid and foreground.

D.T. - In DT the children will be designing and creating a new installation for Preston Candover using software to create a 3D model. They will use Google Sketchup to design, create and manipulate the image before moving around the design in a virtual space.

R.E - The children will consider symbolism and discuss the Holy Trinity. The children will also spend time focusing on prayer and how prayer is used within the Christian Church. The children will have an opportunity to discuss these issues and to give their opinion both verbally and in written form.

French- In French, the children will revisit numbers, before moving on to looking at the topics of weather, school life and France as a country.

P.E – This term we will be looking at striking and fielding. The children will take part in small sided games and skills practises, to learn and develop key skills such as throwing and catching, striking and fielding and communication, before taking part in rounders and cricket games. They w They will also focus on the importance of teamwork, tactics and good sportsmanship.

We would like all children to read regularly at home and for a parent to engage with the reading on occasion. The children will have weekly spellings to learn and will be set two home learning tasks each week, which will be posted on Google Classroom.

In addition to the above, Year 6 have their bikeability during the afternoons on the 26th - 29th April.

We will also be focusing on producing a video featuring the year 6 children for a leavers performance and we will share this with parents at the end of term.

Here's hoping for a productive, sunny and fun filled term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R. Marshall(Class 5 teacher) Mrs Vickers (Class 5 LSA)