



# Year 6 Autumn Term Newsletter – Second Half

## Upcoming Events



27<sup>th</sup> Nov – Year 6 disco

8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas performance AM

9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas performance PM

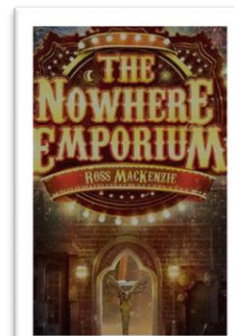
12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 6 visit to church

18<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year 6 Christmas party

## English



In English this term, we are studying *The Nowhere Emporium* by Ross Mackenzie. Building on our understanding of the story, pupils will write a discussion text that explores both points of view on a chosen topic from the novel. Through this task, they are learning to write in a formal style, using causal conjunctions to expand and explain their ideas clearly and effectively. This unit encourages pupils to think critically, consider different perspectives, and express their opinions with confidence and clarity.



## P.E.



Football - The children will develop their individual and match skills in football.

Gymnastics – the children explore different types of balances.

## P.S.H.E.



In PSHE, children explore what makes a healthy friendship and how to deal with bullying. They learn about the key qualities of positive relationships, such as respect, kindness, trust, and empathy.

## Home Learning



	Details	Day handed out	Day handed in
Reading homework	<b>Essential homework</b> which should be completed as a minimum of three times a week.	Reading records collected in on a Friday.	
Spellings	<b>Essential homework</b> where children will learn their spellings each week for a test.	Monday	Monday
Times tables	<b>Extension homework</b> where children will learn their times tables and complete Times Tables Rockstars.	Ongoing	
Maths and English homework	<b>Essential homework</b> alternating each week between maths and English. Maths will be set on 'My Maths' learning platform and feedback given via My Maths. English homework will be stuck in to children's exercise books.	Monday	Monday
Project homework	<b>Extension homework</b> which includes one task to be completed as a minimum. Set once a term.	Monday	Monday

## Maths



In Maths, we begin our unit on fractions and decimals. The children learn to find equivalent fractions and to add and subtract fractions and decimals with increasing accuracy and confidence.

*Throughout each unit, there is a strong emphasis on mathematical reasoning and applying their knowledge to solve a range of problems.*

## Religious Education



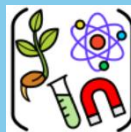
The children discover different depictions of the Christmas story.

## Music



The children learn about music from South America and explore the vibrant rhythms and cultural traditions of the region. They study the origins and characteristics of Samba, a lively and energetic musical style from Brazil, and learn to perform it using percussion instruments.

## Science



In Science, we learn about substances, exploring their properties, how they can be classified, and how they interact with one another. The children investigate solids, liquids, and gases, conduct simple experiments, and observe changes such as melting, dissolving, or mixing.

## Art & Design



The children draw a realistic portrait of a soldier, developing their observational drawing skills and attention to detail. They study facial features, proportions, and expressions to capture the character and emotion of their subject.

## Design Technology



The children will bake delicious brownies.

## Geography



In Geography, we study Brazil, exploring its climate, geographical features, famous landmarks, and diverse ecosystems. The children learn about the Amazon Rainforest and its importance to the global environment, as well as how human activity can impact the natural world.

## Computing



The children will be using the internet to conduct research, developing their skills in finding, evaluating, and summarising information from reliable sources.

## French



Children learn vocabulary for food, snacks, and drinks offered in a *salon de thé* (tea room).