



Year 5/6 Peake Class

Summer Term 2019 Curriculum Letter

Welcome to the Year 5/6 curriculum letter, within which you will find useful information about the forthcoming term. Our exciting new topic is 'Nature's Fury'.

Reminders:

- Our indoor PE lesson will be on a Tuesday, children should be wearing a white T-shirt and black shorts or dark jogging bottoms. This term, children in Peake class will be taking part in swimming lessons on a Wednesday afternoon from the 8th of May and will need suitable clothing and equipment for this – a separate letter will be sent before lessons start. As children are in the upper years of Primary school, they will be expected to bring their PE kit in when it is needed and keep it safely on their peg. If their correct full PE kit is in school on these days then they will earn 5 minutes of their golden time.
- In order to promote independence and best prepare children for Secondary school, homework will be set on Mondays to be completed by the following Monday and the children's golden time will be earned by demonstrating that they have been completing their homework tasks (Weekly homework/reading and spelling).
- Reading shouldn't be limited to their school reading book and we encourage children to read a range of appropriate texts such as magazines, newspapers and their own books. Any reading should be recording in their reading logs. The '*Active Learn Primary*' website is still a great way to support them in the development of more specific reading skills. The spelling homework is equally important and should be given a greater focus so they make good progress this term. It is also important to focus on the meanings of the words so that they are able to use them in their writing.



This term:

With the end of Year approaching, our attention will turn towards the Year 6 SATs week beginning on the 13th May. This can be a stressful time of the year for children and whilst we do encourage children to take the tests seriously and use them to show off all that they are capable of, we also know how important it is to keep things as normal and relaxed as possible. Please let us know if you are concerned about your child over this period. Following SATs week, we will ensure children have lots of exciting adventures to keep them busy and excited about the end of their primary school years!

Nature's Fury

Our 'Nature's Fury' topic will explore the world's most deadly disasters including Earthquakes, tsunamis and hurricanes and why they occur and what we can do to help people stay safe or recover from a disaster. We will have a variety of opportunities to produce our own art based on natural disasters and even use our DT skills to create a model volcano.

Many of our writing opportunities will be closely linked with our topic work. We will be writing an Earthquake Survival guide based on a 'Bear Grylls' video used to teach children in affected areas how to stay safe. We will also be writing a narrative piece based on the devastating tsunami that hit Indonesia on Boxing Day of 2004, finding inspiration from the Michael Morpurgo book 'Running Wild'.

Maths will focus on problem solving skills and we will complete a number of interesting and challenging maths investigations. In Science, we will be focussing on using different materials and how different matter can change state.

During the summer term, we will also begin our Sex and Relationships Education unit of work. More information will be sent out before we begin this topic. After half term, our PSHCE will focus on transition. There will be opportunities for our Year 6s to prepare themselves for the move to senior school while still remembering their time at Berewood. As an exciting way to end the year, we will begin rehearsals for our Leaver's production which both year groups will be involved in performing.

Ideas for supporting your child's learning:

- It is very important that your child is provided with rich reading opportunities. All the children have a personal login for Active Learn Primary which should be used regularly. This is now available on tablets, including i-Pads. In addition to Bug Club, please also ensure that you regularly hear your child read aloud and check their understanding of what they have read.
- Mymaths has a range of the activities that are available at any time, these will compliment the curriculum areas being covered in the classroom. Just click on any of the options before your child enters their own specific password.
- Instead of a weekly creative task, there is now a fortnightly creative task and every other week we will be setting an English or Maths task. As the children progress through primary school education the expectations become more challenging and we hope that your child will enjoy the opportunity to build on all their earlier learning. If there is anything that you would like some ideas support with in order to better assist your child, please come into school and speak to me.



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ENGLISH	MATHS (Cross-curricular)	SCIENCE	HISTORY	GEOGRAPHY	D&T
<p>Earthquake Survival Guide</p> <p>Tsunami Narrative</p>	<p>Problem Solving</p> <p>SATs skills</p> <p>Investigations</p>	<p>Materials</p>	<p>Timeline of Natural disasters</p>	<p>Locating countries on a map</p> <p>How natural disasters occur</p>	<p>Model Volcano</p>
COMPUTING	PE	MUSIC	OUR COMMUNITY AND INTERNATIONAL LINKS	PSHCE / RE	ART & DESIGN
<p>Presentation skills</p> <p>Coding</p>	<p>Swimming</p> <p>Athletics</p>	<p>End of year production</p>	<p>How to help countries affected by natural disasters</p>	<p>RE – Ceremonies</p> <p>PSHCE – Transition & SRE</p>	<p>Natural Disaster Art</p>