



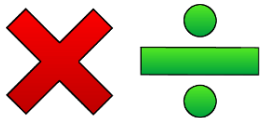
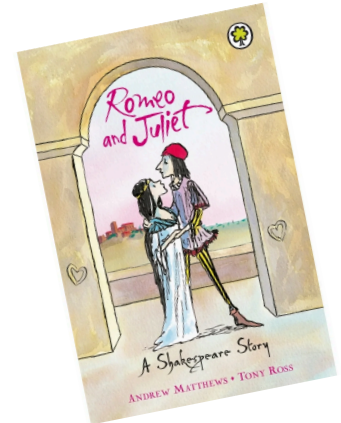
Year 6 Newsletter

Autumn Term – Half Term 2



Year 6 Curriculum

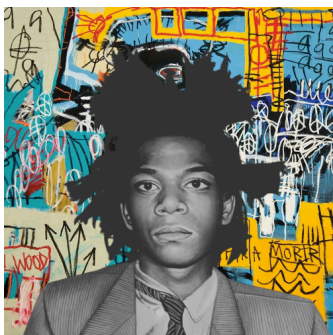
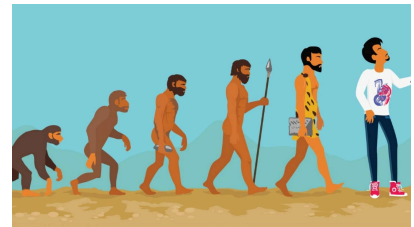
In English, we are making links with our previous Tudor topic and studying William Shakespeare. We will read *Romeo and Juliet*. The children will then have the opportunity to write for a range of purposes, using this famous play as inspiration.



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DIVISION

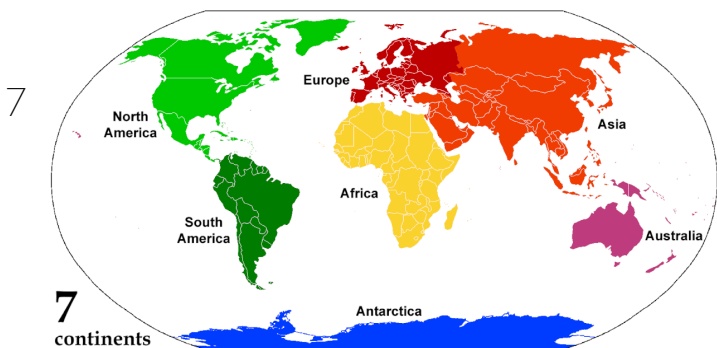
The focus in Maths for this half term will be to complete our unit on multiplication and long and short division. We will then move onto fractions: comparing, ordering, simplifying, adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing them. We will continue to work on arithmetic and reasoning skills.

In Science, we will be delving into inheritance and evolution – an exciting topic which enables the children to consider both acquired and inherited characteristics. Later in the term, we will be looking at how evolution has caused species to change over time to adapt to their environments.



In art, the children will be looking at the artist Jean-Michel Basquiat – a graffiti artist from New York. They will also explore how to create a tactile collage taking inspiration from his graffiti art. Year 6 will also design, create, print and evaluate their own lino print tile inspired by the skulls in Basquiat's graffiti art.

In PSHE, we will focus on the range of risks and how to deal with pressure and its relevance to our school. We will also focus on the difference between legal and illegal drugs and the impacts they have on our health. In RE, we will focus on the Christian nativity story and how it has changed with commercialisation.



Our focus in Geography will be on the continents of the world. Children will consolidate their previous learning about continents from previous years and build on it by considering how borders change over time. They will learn how countries' borders and names change and consider why this happens

PE this term will continue on the following days:
Hauksbee PE day - Wednesday & Friday
Parsons PE day - Tuesday & Wednesday

A more comprehensive overview of what we will be covering can be found on our school website under Curriculum and then Knowledge Organisers. Please find the attached link: <https://www.haslett.org.uk/curriculum/knowledge-organisers>

How to support your child's learning at home:

As your child continues in Year 6, and SATS are fast approaching, to ensure your child gets the most out of school, it would be great if you help them at home as well. This can be done through supporting them to complete their homework on maths.co.uk, spag.com and TT Rock Stars each week, along with helping them practise their spellings.

It is important that you continue to listen to your child read and record your comments in their homework diaries. Whilst listening to your child read, focus on the new vocabulary they come across, but also question their understanding of the text - can they find an answer within the text? Can they use the text to help support an idea or an answer to a question you have asked?

Lastly, one of the most crucial factors when supporting your child's learning is to ensure they attend school. Regular attendance results in accelerated progress.

Key reminders:

- Hauksbee's PE days are Wednesday & Friday and Parson's are Tuesday and Wednesday. Please make sure that they arrive in school in the correct PE kit on their PE days.
- Outdoor learning day for **Parsons this half term** will be on Monday. **Hauksbee class** will NOT be having Outdoor learning.
- Homework will be given out every Friday and is due back every Wednesday - this will include Maths and SPAG online.
- Spellings will be given out every Friday and children will be tested on the following Friday.
- Children will be tested on their maths target every Thursday. A new target will be sent home each half term.
- TT Rockstars - 15 garage games to be completed by Thursday each week.
- We expect the children to read 20 minutes at least 5 times a week and have this signed off by a parent in their homework diaries.

Dates for your diaries:

Thursday 13th November - Movies and Munchies Y3-Y6
Friday 14th November - Children in Need
Wednesday 17th December - School Christmas Lunch
Friday 19th December - School finishes at 1:00pm for Christmas

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Falvey, Mrs Knight, Mrs Reeb, Mrs Noon and Mrs Helm
The Year 6 Team.