



A word from us...

Welcome to Year 6! We are delighted to be welcoming you back to St Paul's for your final year in primary school. We have LOTS of exciting plans for the year ahead; we are planning on making it your best year yet! Mrs Scragg, Mr Davis-Powell and Mrs Boden will be working in Year 6 so please come and say hello and feel free to book an appointment at any time if you have any questions or concerns – we will always be happy to help!

Children will be bringing home a reading book and a library book to enjoy, alongside their reading diary. Children should be encouraged to read for at least ten minutes each night. We ask that reading diaries are completed and brought into school each day so that we can monitor how well your children are doing. Children are able to change their books whenever they are ready to, but should alert an adult first so that we can keep a record of the progress they have made. Spellings will be taught daily in school and children will have to focus on – these will be written in their Reading Records. Children have already brought home their Times Table Rockstars passwords, so please encourage them to practise their tables as often as they can – it will help with all areas of Maths.

Year 6 will have PE on a Wednesday and Friday. Children should come into school in their active uniform – information about what is expected in terms of uniform can be found on our school website. Please make sure that children have a water bottle each day filled with fresh water. Children will have access to refills throughout the day, as needed. Our residential to Laches Wood will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October – it's going to be lots of fun! A meeting will be held to share this information with parents on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 2.30pm.

Children do not need to bring pencil cases or other equipment into school, everything they need for their work will be provided for them!

If any questions / concerns please get in contact with [lscragg@stpaulscofeprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:lscragg@stpaulscofeprimaryschool.co.uk) or [ldavis-powell@stpaulscofeprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:ldavis-powell@stpaulscofeprimaryschool.co.uk) – we will get back to you as soon as we are able to. Best wishes to you all!

**English**

This term, children will be exploring a variety of texts and genres, in English. They will continue to deconstruct texts -identifying techniques used by authors; they will develop their writing skills, learning how to enhance and change their writing by making appropriate grammatical and vocabulary choices and they will build upon Year 5 skills, to edit and improve their own work. The children will also be given the opportunity to read a range of high-quality texts; developing vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation and retrieval skills.

**Art & Design**

This term, children will learn all about the art of the Italian Renaissance. They will explore how proportion is used to create artwork that is as realistic as possible. Children will follow this learning through to the second half term where they will explore architecture and sculptures of the Italian Renaissance too, before moving on to creating their own relief sculpture.

**Computing** – This term, children will be learning about coding and how to use programming to creating outputs. They will deepen their understanding of online safety and they will learn how to use spreadsheets in order to calculate.

**Music** – As well as taking part in Young Voices, children will also be developing musical phrases and learning to understand the structure and form of music.

**Humanities**

This term, our history learning will be all about World War One and the Suffragette movement. We will focus on the build up to these events and what impact they have had on the world that we live in today. In our Geography lessons, we will be exploring the way space is used and we will also be investigating British geographical issues such as: air pollution, flooding, waste and litter. Children will explore this through the use of data and a range of policies.

**Maths**

This term, children will be exploring a range of areas through their maths lessons. They will continue to build upon the work they completed in Year 5 to secure and master their number and place value understanding, including how to read and write numbers to 10,000,000, as well as exploring negative numbers. They will apply this learning to calculating with the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) and to solving rich and complex problems. They will then develop their understanding of fractions, including how to multiply and divide by integers.

**Science / STEM**

During our science lessons, children will extend their knowledge of the human body by exploring the human heart. They will look at how and why blood is pumped around the human body and the workings of the circulatory system, and how this is vital for life. Children will also build upon their prior knowledge of classification to explore the features of living things. They will learn about the five kingdoms of living things, including their further subdivisions.

**Religious Education** – Children will be exploring creation and science and will be exploring the question: Is God the Messiah?

**PE / Games** – Children will take part in health-related fitness activities, netball, football and activities that require the development of leadership skills.

**PSHE / British Values/ 10:10 Lessons** – We will be learning being themselves in their world.