

Year 6 Celebration



Newsletter—Term 3 2017

Keen to be Green

This term our learning topic has been: Keen to be Green, which we will continue to learn about next term. In our Maths learning, we have been learning more about (and revising) fractions. In Science, we have been looking at Animals including Humans. We have learnt more about the circulatory system, and how oxygen is transported around the body. In addition, we learnt about healthy eating and the effect of drugs and alcohol on the body. In our English learning we have been focussing on Stormbreaker which has informed our writing. The children have written some fantastic balanced arguments about whether or not Alex Rider should be a spy and an action narrative based on a scene from the Stormbreaker film. The children have really enjoyed our learning this term and we look forward to Term 4.

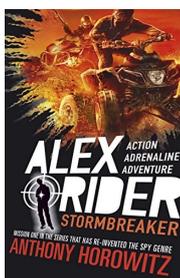
Accelerated Reader

This term, the children have continued to access the Accelerated Reader programme and have enjoyed being able to complete quizzes about their favourite reading books. A HUGE well done to **Cara Scowen**—who is our first word millionaire! In total, year 6 have read **7,330,488 words**. Keep it up year 6!



Love to Read! Stormbreaker

This term we have started reading **Anthony Horowitz's Stormbreaker**. The children have received a class copy to share between two, which will be used in school to support our English learning. We will continue to read this book next term.



Homework

This term, homework has continued to be set (for Grammar) using the Year 6 CGP Book and the MyMaths website for Maths. Spellings will be set at the start of the term, and children are tested weekly on **Friday**. **Every Friday, your child is given a small sheet of paper with the homework for the following week.**

To support children with the SATs (as they will be tested on their spellings and knowledge of spelling rules) we encourage children to practice their weekly spellings at home. Children should be aiming to score 10/10 or more each week as they know what is being tested!

A huge well done to those children who have been regularly engaging with their home learning, including the family learning projects. We have really enjoyed looking at your **brilliant South American work**. We especially enjoyed learning about all the different words we could make from South America. A huge well done!

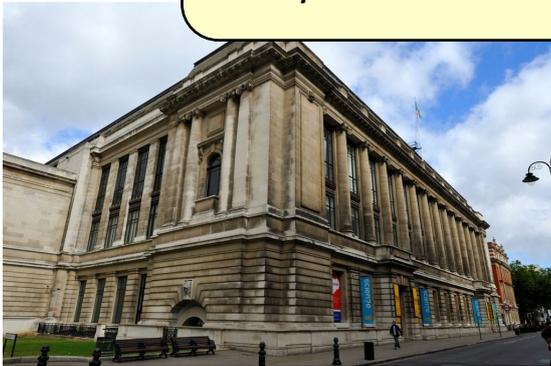


SATs Information:



- The SATs will take place from Monday 8th May to Thursday 11th May 2017
- In total, there are 5 tests: 1 reading test, 1 grammar and spelling test, and 3 math tests (an arithmetic paper and 2 reasoning papers)
- Next term, there will be a SATs information session for all year 6 parents/carers.
- If you would like to have a look at the previous tests/access practice materials – you can do so by following this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/national-curriculum-assessments-practice-materials>

We are very much looking forward to our trip to the Science Museum next term. The trip will be on Tuesday 21st February!



Monkey Maths

The children have really enjoyed engaging with the Monkey Maths scheme so far this term. The scheme encourages children to learn their times tables to move on to the next level. Children receive a certificate each time they move up a level and then have an opportunity to win a prize from our Monkey Maths prize draw! Last term, **Harry Parker** won some tickets for the new trampoline park in Medway. Each child has made progress and we now even have some year 6 children on Marmoset (level 4). Really well done!



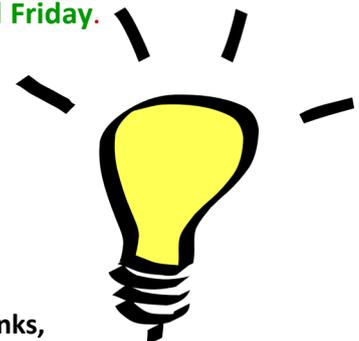
Sneak Peak into Term 4...

Keen to be Green (Trade and Economics Focus)

Next term, we will continue our learning topic: Keen to be Green. However, we will have a slightly different focus. In geography, we will be learning about trade and economy with an emphasis on trade between the UK and South America. In Science, the children will be learning about electricity including circuits. For Maths, due to the upcoming SATs in May, we will be mainly focussing on test skills and continuing to work through the year 6 objectives (including circles). Our English learning will have a greater grammar and spelling focus – again to ensure that children are prepared for the SATs tests. **Panda's PE days will be Wednesday and Friday. Meerkat's PE days will be Monday and Friday.**

Key Word List Term 2:

- economy
- trade
- import
- export
- global
- electricity
- circuit
- volts
- buzzer



Many thanks,

Miss Mills (Pandas) & Mr Angus
(Meerkats)