

# Year 6 Newsletter

Copthorne Primary School

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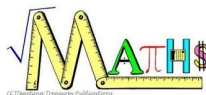
We hope you all had a pleasant half term holiday. The new term has got off to a great start, and we would like to thank you all for making sure all children are wearing the correct uniform. Please make sure children have their Raving Readers in school every day. It is essential that you read with your child every night to aid their progress in English and to develop their love of reading.



In English, we will be using the book 'The Journey' as a stimulus. We will be making predictions from details stated and implied and asking questions to improve understanding by identifying how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning. Then,

together we will discuss words and phrases that capture our interest and imagination and consider how these impact on us as the reader. In order to develop our empathy skills. We will draw inferences about characters' feelings, thoughts, motives and actions and justify our inferences with evidence from the text. This will then provide us with the foundation for our narratives where we will describe settings, characters and create atmosphere, while integrating dialogue to convey different characters thought and feelings.

In Mathematics this half term, children will be learning how to add and subtract negative numbers, solve a range of problems involving fractions, percentages and decimals and find the area, volume and perimeter of different shapes.



Please practise **times table multiplication and division facts** with your child as it is extremely important that they are confident in this area. Please also ensure your children are using their **mental maths skills** effectively in everyday contexts e.g. calculating money when shopping, telling the time and finding the differences in timetables, converting units of measurement when cooking or travelling.



Thank you,

Miss McMillan and Mrs. Shah

In Science we our topic is 'Body Pump'. We are learning about the circulatory system and how important blood is. We will also be finding out about the function of the heart and how to keep it healthy and the role of the blood in keeping us alive.

In Creative Curriculum will be continuing with our Copthorne Curriculum theme of 'Mama Mia'; however, this half term will focus on geographical aspects of the curriculum. We will be identifying and describing how the physical and human features affect the human activity within a location by collecting and analyse statistics and other information in order to draw clear conclusions about locations.



In Religious Education we will be learning all about worship, making comparisons between different faith practices in worship and considering what influences religion.

In PE we will be developing our gymnastic skills in indoor P.E. sessions and in outdoor P.E. sessions we will be developing our cricket skills.

In Year 6 it is expected that children access 'Mathletics' and 'spag.com' at home frequently, ideally everyday, for a minimum of 20 minutes. We will be regularly updating activities for your child to complete and allowing to children to 'Play Live'.



**Remember:** there's always a possibility you could be one of the top 10 world Mathletes and earn your position on the leader board.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Please remember that **Bugclub** should be being use as part of Raving Readers where possible. This is a fantastic resource, which provides a breadth of engaging texts, while questioning the reader about the text.



## School Uniform and PE kit

We want our children to look smart and ready to learn so please could you ensure your child has the correct uniform for P.E. Children need a sweat-shirt or warm jumper for outdoor P.E as the weather is colder.

Trainers are only to be worn for outdoor P.E. and pumps for indoor P.E.



**Black shoes should be worn the rest of the time.**