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Guided Reading

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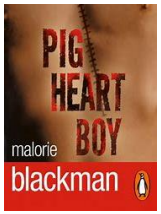
We will be using the text, Pig Heart Boy, during our guided reading sessions this half term! This is a text written by Malorie Blackman about a boy who faces an ethical dilemma about receiving an organ transplant from an animal.



How you can help:

Please read with your child at home everyday.

This might be them reading their reading book to you, you reading a more complex text to them, or simply encouraging them to read as opportunities arise in everyday life.

Maths

For the first half term, Y6 will be learning and consolidating their place value knowledge, including skills of writing and reading numbers up to 10 million, ordering and comparing numbers, rounding numbers as well as exploring negative numbers.

Children will also be consolidating knowledge on the four operations, addition, subtraction, division and multiplication. This will include using long and short division and multiplication, allowing children to explore different ways to answer more reasoning-based questions with these skills.

How you can help: Daily practise of times tables using TTRockstars or through oral rehearsal. Practising mental maths strategies as much as possible at home. There are many online resources that could help with this skill, outlined below.

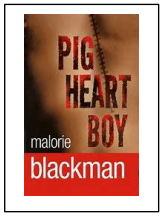
Mathsframe.co.uk

Coolmathgames.co.uk

BBC Bitesize

English

This half term our English work will be inspired by the book 'Pig Heart Boy' We will be using the book as a stimulus, creating our own discussion piece and explanation text.



Within lessons, children will be learning about, and applying, different tenses, fronted adverbials, hyphens for ambiguity, varied sentence structures.

History

Our history lessons for this half term will focus on World War 2. We will look into the timeline of the war, including key events (The Blitz and Holocaust). We will look in depth at the causes of the war, as well as key Axis Powers and Allies.



Science

This half term we will be learning all about the circulatory system. During this we will explore the structures within the circulatory system and their functions, whilst looking at how different exercises can affect our heart.



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MFL

This half term we will be learning to speak and write in Spanish. We will spend time consolidating prior learning before moving on to greetings and conversation.

RE

What difference does it make to believe in Ahimsa (harmlessness), Grace (the generosity of God), and Ummah (community)?



PE

Gymnastics

Children can come to school in their PE kits on Thursday.
No earrings please.

Hockey

Children can come to school in their PE kits on Friday.
No earrings please.

Art

Art focus day:
To create a photographic self-portrait inspired by the work of Annie Leibovitz.

Art topic: Using the work of Paul Signac to create a pointillism landscape.

Key dates & Information

Wednesday 23rd September
Y5 and Y6 trip to RAF Cosford for STEM Sciences

Friday 2nd October
Year 6 trip to Parliament (More details to follow in the next week)

Thursday 22nd October
Year 6 Royal Navy visit (in school)

Spelling Focus

Week 1— Statutory Spellings Y3/4
Week 2— Words with able and ible
Week 3— Words with ably and ibly
Week 4— word endings
Week 5— Statutory spellings
Week 6 — Statutory Spellings
Week 7— Statutory Spellings

PSHE

This half term we will be learning all about :

Me and My Relationships
Working Together
Let's Negotiate
Solve the Friendship Problem
Assertiveness Skills
Behave Yourself
Dan's Day
Don't Force Me
Acting Appropriately
It's a puzzle .

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