

Year 6

Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn 2



Hello and welcome back! I hope that you have all had a great half term break! If you have any concerns about anything, please contact me via email james.pellow@benrhydding.bradford.sch.uk and I will endeavor to respond promptly. Communication about illness/ medical appointments or pick up/drop offs should be sent to the school office.

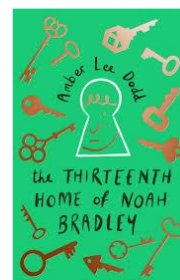
The Year 6 team will consist of myself and Mrs Hunt.

Best wishes,
Mr. Pellow

The Curriculum

English

We will be finishing our first class book, 'The Thirteenth home of Noah Bradley'. Using a big event that happens within the book we will be creating a newspaper article. Some of the key features we will be looking at are the 5Ws (what, where, who, why, when), the 3 Cs (clear, correct, concise) and the use of direct/reported speech.



Library

The children will visit the library on Tuesday and will be able to check out one book per week. Please sign the reading record when they have read aloud to you during the week. Within our library session, we will be continuing our prosody sessions, developing our oracy. Each week the children are asked to read aloud to someone at home and date and sign it in their Reading record.

Spellings

We will be learning and focusing on Y/6 words each week and practising within school. If you would like to supplement the learning at home, the words for each week are listed below.

WB 4/11	WB 11/11	WB 18/11	WB 25/11	WB 2/12	WB 9/12	WB 16/12
vehicle aggressive controversy familiar	necessary rhyme yacht amateur	convenience foreign neighbour rhythm	ancient correspond forty nuisance	sacrifice apparent criticise frequently	occupy secretary appreciate curiosity	government occur shoulder attached

Maths

We have started this half term by finishing our topic of 'Multiples to 1000'. We will be following it up with 'Numbers to 10,000,000'. Please keep practicing times tables at home to support learning later in the year. We will regularly practice the four operations to build fluency and confidence.

Science

This half terms Science topic is, 'Electricity' where we will be looking at circuits and how to construct them. There will also be an experiment on Voltage before we move into a sustainability topic on renewable energy.

Computing

This half term we will be looking at Blogging. This will include the purpose of blogs and the key features. This will be done through Purple Mash.

History/DT

Our history topic for this term is 'Roman Empire and its impact Britain'. We will be continuing with some new Key Questions:

- What do we know about Roman architecture?
- What was it like to be a Roman soldier in Britain?



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There will be a talk to Y5/6 on Remembrance day talking about the life of a local pilot who crashed in Italy. This will be supplemented with some learning about WW2 and the RAF.

This half term we will be focusing on a DT project looking at structures. We will be creating Roman aqueducts to link with previous history learning. In topic partners and small groups they will start with product research, then plan and design their product and finally they will create and make their product using supplied resources.

Art

Our first artist we will be researching and using as inspiration is Charlie Harper. We will be focusing on describing his artwork and creating detail using angles and shapes. There will be a session creating a Roman mosaic towards the end of this half term.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are Wednesday and Friday and will be held outside, weather permitting. Children should come to school in their outdoor PE kit on both Wednesday and Friday and will remain in it all day. Please check the school website if you require clarification of the correct PE kit. One session will be run by the Physical sports coach and one by myself. This half term, we will be looking at Dance and Hockey.

Music

We will be using Sparkyard on their first topic, 'We've got rhythm'. We will also be listening to daily songs chosen by Miss Kelly.

Home Learning

There will be weekly homework sent out on a Tuesday and collected in the following Tuesday. It is mandatory. There will also be half termly suggestions to support for Maths and English and termly home learning projects (both sent out on Friday 15th).

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle in school every day. This will be sent home at the end of the day to be brought back in filled up for the next day.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 12th November – Parent Consultations
Thursday 14th November – Parent Consultations
Monday 18th November – Y5/6 Open Classroom
Tuesday 26th November – House Art Day
Thursday 28th November – Parent Workshops
Monday 9th December – Home Learning Gallery Y5/6
Wednesday 18th December – Carol Service
Thursday 19th December – KS2 Party