

Year 6 2025

Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn 2



Hello and welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely half term break. There's lots of learning to squeeze in before all the Christmas craziness begins!

The Year 6 team will consist of myself, Mrs Hunt and Mrs Spoerry. Mrs Hunt will teach the children on Wednesday afternoons to cover my PPA.

If you ever need to get in contact, please email me at katie.kelly@benrhysdydd.bradford.sch.uk and I'll endeavour to respond as promptly as I can. Please, however, contact the office regarding any pick up/walking home arrangements as I may not get chance to check my emails during the day.

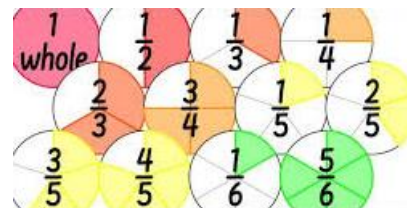
English



We will continue reading our class novel 'The Thirteenth Home of Noah Bradley'. We will be working on answering a variety of comprehension questions and ensuring we are more confident with a range of grammar and punctuation. We will also look at writing in a more formal tone.

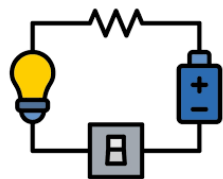
Maths

This half term we will finish our four operations unit then start to look at our understanding of fractions. We will be looking at comparing, ordering, adding, subtracting, simplifying and finding equivalent fractions. We will also be doing some Christmas coordinates towards the end of term. We will regularly practice the four operations to build fluency and confidence.



Science

After we've finished learning about Carl Linnaeus, the children will then complete a unit on electricity. We will explore the following questions:



- How can I get my circuit to work?
- How do we draw circuits using scientific symbols?
- Can variations affect my circuit?
- Can I plan and investigate an experiment involving voltage?

Topic: History

Our history topic for this term is *The Anglo Saxons and Scots*. Y5 and 6 will continue to explore the following questions:

- Culture – Where did the Anglo-Saxons and Scots come from and why Britain?
- Stories – What is Sutton Hoo?
- Legacies – How did the Anglo-Saxons change Britain?
- Individuals – Who is Beowulf?
- Belief – What did the Anglo-Saxons believe?



Our Anglo-Saxon Home Learning Gallery is on Tuesday 2nd December at 9 a.m.

PE



Our P.E days are **Tuesday and Friday**. Children need to attend school on these days in their school uniform P.E kit. This half term's lessons will focus on hockey and dance.

Foundation Subjects



In **music**, we will continue to focus on rhythmic devices and structure; we will explore time signatures, perform a variety of rhythms including polyrhythms and organise rhythmic ideas in a structure.



In **computing**, we will be looking at coding.



Our **DT** this term will focus on making joins; we are going to make moving picture books.



Building on last half term's topic of self-description, Year 6 will learn personal pronouns in **French**. This will enable them to conjugate verbs in full, the focus being on the essential irregular verb, 'être' (to be).



Our **R.E** topic continues to explore how Sikhs symbolise commitment.

Home Learning

Reading: The children will visit the library on a Friday afternoon and will be able to check out one book per week. The children will not be able to get a new library book until they have returned the previous one. Within our library session, we will be continuing our prosody sessions, developing our oracy and fluency skills. We would like the children to practice reading aloud to someone at home at least once a week; it doesn't have to be the book they've borrowed from school. We ask that someone at home then signs and dates the reading record each week and that they bring it in to be checked on the Friday.

Maths: There will be a weekly maths task sent home every Friday; it will then be collected in the following Thursday. This is a mandatory piece of home learning that needs to be done every week. There will also be half termly suggestions to support Maths and English that will be sent out the second Friday of each half term.

Topic: We would like each child to complete a project at home linked to our topic. I will resend out a sheet of ideas but the children can do whatever sparks their interest. It is not mandatory but we will have a home learning gallery on Tuesday 2nd December to show off all the children's fantastic work.

Spellings: We will be learning four words each week and practising them during the school day. However, if you feel like it would benefit your child to also practice these at home, the words for each week are listed below.

W/b 03.11	W/b 10.11	W/b 17.11	W/b 24.11	W/b 01.11	W/b 08.11	W/b 15.11
conscious delicious gracious precious	cautious infectious ambitious nutritious	referral inference conference preferable	achieve cemetery define embarrass	foreign guarantee harass immediately	language marvellous necessary persuade	Christmas activities

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Kelly

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 11th and Thursday 13th November: Parent Consultations

Friday 14th November: Children in Need

Tuesday 18th November: Y6 Maths parent workshop 5.30 p.m.

Thursday 20th November: House Christmas Art Day

Sunday 30th November: PTA Christmas Fair

Tuesday 2nd December: Y5 and 6 Anglo-Saxon Home Learning Gallery

Wednesday 3rd December: PTA film night

Tuesday 16th December: KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church

Wednesday 17th December: School Christmas Dinner

Thursday 18th December: KS2 Christmas Party

Friday 19th December: School closes for the Christmas holiday

Monday 5th January: TRAINING DAY

Tuesday 6th January: School opens for Spring 1 Term