



Year 6 - During this term our theme is
'How has crime and punishment changed through the ages?'



Curriculum Area	Areas to be taught in school	Possible activities to be done at home
English	<p>This half term, we will be reading the children's novel 'Viking Boy' by Tony Bradman. Viking Boy is the coming of age story of Gunnar, whose peaceful life on his family steading is shattered forever by raiders. Gunnar swears a blood oath to avenge his family and to take back his life. But unfortunately, as such things are, it is not an easy path but it is a path that will make Gunnar who he was always foretold to be...</p> <p>This exciting novel will form the basis for our reading and writing work this half term.</p>	<p>Encourage your child to read for pleasure as much as possible at home on the lead up to SATs. Can they read a variety of books including some non-fiction? Quiz your child on what they have read and learned.</p>
Maths	<p>We will be revising everything we have learnt in Year 6 to prepare us for SATs this half term. Some of the areas we will be looking at include: area and perimeter, graphs and charts, fractions, ratio and proportion, algebra and word problems involving a mixture of arithmetic.</p>	<p>Encourage the use of maths at home as much as possible. Tell the time and practise reading bus timetables, measure objects around the house or in the garden and when shopping, work out the total cost of items out and how much change you will receive.</p>
History 'How has crime and punishment changed through the ages?'	<p>During our History topic this half term, the children will examine exactly how crime and punishment has changed through the ages. We will compare and contrast how people were punished for the crimes they committed during the Roman era, the Anglo-Saxon age, the Tudor period and during Victorian Britain, before comparing them to how crimes are dealt with today.</p>	<p>Your child could think about an area at home that has changed over time, using a photograph as a stimulus if possible. Your child can sketch the place and then annotate it to show how it is now and what has changed.</p>
Science 'Evolution and Inheritance'	<p>The children will have the opportunity during our Science lessons this half term to build on knowledge and learning acquired during Year 3. Children will learn about evolution, inheritance and adaptation as well as about Charles Darwin and his Theory of Evolution. The children will have the opportunity to examine fossils and learn how certain species have evolved and adapted over time, based on their habitat, in order to survive.</p>	<p>Your child could use the internet to search for what is meant by a 'living fossil', then try to see how many examples of living fossils you can collate.</p> <p>Why not use DK findout! to research Charles Darwin and see what you can find out!</p> <p>https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/science/famous-scientists/charles-darwin/</p>
Religious Education 'What can we learn about Eternity?'	<p>This term, the children will learn to use key vocabulary related to the concept of eternity. They will be able to distinguish between the ideas of mortality and immortality. They will learn to relate this to the human life cycle.</p>	<p>Your child could research and discuss life cycles. What are the different stages in different animals' life cycles? What is the human life cycle?</p> <p>What do Christians believe about life after death? They could do some research on this topic to share in class.</p>

<p>Physical Education</p> <p>(Year 6 PE days are Wednesday and Friday)</p>	<p>This half term we are privileged to welcome a yoga expert to Northwood who will be delivering a specially designed program to Y6 on the run up to SATs.</p> <p>We will also be learning how to play badminton this half term. Children will explore different forehand and backhand shots, before learning how to apply these skills to win points in a game.</p>	<p>Why not try some Yoga at home; there are lots of videos on https://www.cosmickids.com/ where the instructor will complete short, interactive and fun Yoga sessions for all ages and levels of flexibility!</p>
<p>Computing Spreadsheets</p>	<p>The children will be given an understanding of spreadsheets and how they can be used. They will learn how to format spreadsheets and enter specific formulae before using spreadsheets to solve specific problems. The children will work towards an open-ended task, which involves them designing their own spreadsheet.</p>	<p>Oak Academy also has a fantastic range of Computing lessons, which will supplement your child's learning in school.</p>
<p>French 'Let's go Shopping'</p>	<p>In this 'Let's Go Shopping' unit, the children will learn about the shopping experience in France. They will learn how to use the nuances of colour when describing the colours of clothes and how to use prepositional language. They will learn key phrases for asking the questions needed when going shopping.</p>	<p>Practise using the French vocabulary learnt in school at home. Can your child teach anyone any new French words or phrases? Can they use any of the language they have learnt in school when they go shopping with you?</p>
<p>Music 'Music and Me'</p>	<p>'Music and Me' is the first in a series of units focusing on inspirational women working in music.</p> <p>The children will explore the concept of 'identity' – the various elements that shape us. In this unit, we start with gender, with reference to social and cultural differences.</p>	<p>Access Durham Music Service using: https://www.durhammusic.org.uk/15minsofmusic</p> <p>'15mins of Music' videos are available to watch live and join in with.</p>
<p>Art</p>		<p>Your child could try using different art materials and techniques to showcase their learning so far this year. Your child could try sketching with pencils, drawing with colours or felt tips, painting or even making a sculpture or model. Let their imagination run wild!</p>
<p>Relationships Education</p>	<p>How can I make a difference in my community? We will be thinking about citizenship this half term. What does it mean to be a good citizen and how can we show this? We will also be learning about what the government is and why they are important for British life?</p>	<p>You child could think about what they could do at home and in the surrounding area to show they are a thoughtful citizen. Maybe they could go on a litter pick or do something thoughtful for a neighbour.</p>

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