YEAR 6 CURRICULUM BULLETIN

AUTUMN 1

THIS HALF-TERM

Welcome to the start of an exciting year at Salusbury Primary School. We hope you all had a restful summer holiday and are ready to dive into the new term. We have so much wonderful learning planned and many interesting topics to cover this half term.

Our dream is that every child becomes an avid reader, reading every night for at least 30 minutes. We would appreciate your support in helping make this happen. Formal homework is set on Google Classroom every Thursday night, due the following Tuesday.

Should you have any concerns or wish to speak to us about your child's progress, please feel free to arrange an appointment. We are available to talk before and after school on most days.

We will be welcoming you all on Thursday 17th September for Meet the Teacher in our respective classrooms. We look forward to working with you and your child.

Year 6 Team

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 17th September
Open Morning (including information about Secondary School Applications)
Thursday 1st October
International Evening
Friday 16th October
Roots & Rhythm
Tuesday 20th & Thursday 22nd October
Parents' Evenings
Monday 26th to Friday 30th October
Half-term holiday

WAYS TO HELP AT HOME

- Encourage daily reading of various materials, including fiction and non-fiction, and discuss what your child has read to enhance comprehension and critical thinking.
- Support maths learning by using real-life activities like cooking or shopping to practice times tables, fractions, and mental maths.
- Foster scientific curiosity through simple experiments at home, such as growing plants or exploring circuits, and use educational videos to explore topics like space and the human body.
- Develop writing skills by encouraging journaling or story writing and expand their vocabulary through word games.
- Explore history and geography by visiting museums, historical sites, and using maps or online tools to learn about key topics in the curriculum.

ENGLISH

Focus Text: There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom (Louis Sachar)

Pupils will enjoy a variety of writing opportunities that develop both creativity and technical skills. Through narrative writing they will create diary entries from the perspective of a fictional character using imagination and structure. Informal letter writing will help deepen their understanding of character. These writing opportunities will be supported by structured spelling lessons and opportunities to improve and practice handwriting skills.

MATHS

Focus Areas: Place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

As Mathematicians, we will begin the term by reviewing place value. We will then look at formal and mental calculations using addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

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PSHE AND RE

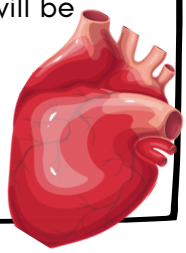
In PSHE, we are thinking about '**Being Me in My World**': how our wants and needs compare to those of children in other countries, what it means to show empathy and how to show care to other people's feelings. In RE, we will be studying **Islam** and investigating, "What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?"

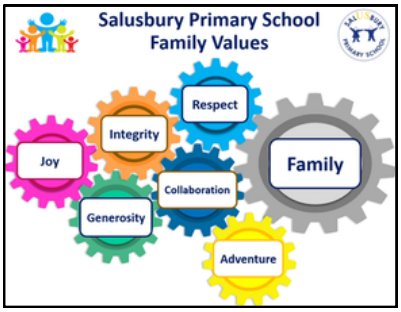
SCIENCE

The Circulatory System

As Scientists, Year 6 will be learning about the human body. Children will be able to identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within our bodies. We will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle choices on the way bodies function.

To deepen our understanding, we will be dissecting a lamb's heart.





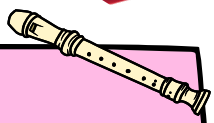
This half-term's value is Adventure

SPANISH

Children will learn to introduce themselves, talk about their families and hobbies and develop their Spanish communication skills as they begin preparing to connect with pupils in Cuenca.

COMPUTING

We will learn how search engines select amd rank results, and how we can communicate responsibly online.



ART AND MUSIC

As Artists, his term we will be doing water colour and ink self-portraits using hands and expression to explore emotion and feelings. Children will also be using different grade pencils to develop their sketching and shading for depth techniques.

In Music, we will be enjoying Music'sCool lessons with Ms Batten. The learning will start with a focus on beat and rhythm, including beatboxing.

PE

This half term, Year 6 will be introduced to **NFL Flag Football.** They will learn the basic rules, develop passing, catching and evasion skills, and begin to use these in small-sided games, helping to build teamwork, coordination and confidence. Jet class will be going swimming during Autumn Term.

HUMANITIES

Biomes Children will be learning that biomes are different zones in the world with their own characteristics. They will be looking at plants and animals that feature within these biomes and their locations in the world. They will also explore how biomes can change and become damaged.