



Ramsgate Arts Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum – Term 1



Morning Routines

All Year 6 pupils will be welcomed between 8.15 and 8.30 am each day at the classroom door. They will unpack their bags, put their belongings into their locker and find their seat. The interactive whiteboard will outline the timetable for the day and some Early Morning Work linked to their learning. This could be an English, Maths or Topic based activity. The children are expected to prepare themselves for the day by using the toilet before the register and ensuring that their water bottle is filled up.

English

In Term 1, we shall be reading an historical children's novel entitled 'Street Child'. This story is set during Victorian Britain and outlines how the story that inspired Thomas Barnardo to create his famous charity. This novel will link nicely to our topic, 'People of the Past'. Over the coming Term, some of the writing we shall be producing includes an information text on the work of Dr Barnardo's, an historical narrative story about the life of a Victorian 'Street Child' and a formal letter to the government with suggestions on how to tackle homelessness.

Reading

It is our expectation at Ramsgate Arts Primary School that children read for at least 10 minutes every night. They might do this through Bug Club, a banded book or a free choice book. Reading records will be expected in every week to evidence that *at least three* reads have taken place each week. Children are also heard reading throughout the week in class with an adult.

Maths

We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with an arithmetic starter and are followed by a main session of learning. This term we will be focussing on the key fundamentals including an understanding of number and place value with numbers up to 10 million and a secure grasp of methods for the four operations. There will also be a heavy focus on times tables initially, especially as children in Year 6 are expected to know all of their times tables (up to 12x). Most areas of Maths depend on good times tables knowledge; please rehearse them with your children as much as possible at home.

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'People of the Past: Heroes or Villains?' Within this unit of learning, we explore how Britain has changed over the last few thousand years. The topic focuses on different eras of British history. We will also spend some time studying the Victorians and how their lives were similar and different to ours. Keep checking our blog to see our topic learning.

PE

Year 6 will have PE every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure that they come into school wearing their full PE kit. If/as the weather worsens, please ensure it is suitable for outdoors.

Uniform

Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and hair styles should not be extreme – this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy and that all items of clothing are clearly named.

Home Learning and Blogs.

'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home each week. These will be explained to the children and info will be uploaded onto the blog too. Spellings will be sent weekly via the blog as well. Times tables should be practised at home and children are tested every Friday. Blog posts will keep you up to date with our classroom learning.

Arts Curriculum

Through our Arts curriculum the children will focus on Music, Dance, Drama and Art. These subjects will be taught across the week in the afternoons.

General

Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle, which they may keep with them throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day.