



Ramsgate Arts Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum letter Term 3



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

English

In Term 3, our learning is centralised around the book, *Floodland*, by Marcus Sedgewick. *Floodland* is set in the near future where most of the United Kingdom is covered by water. The story is about a ten-year-old girl named Zoe who is left behind after her parents leave the island before the floods. She is left alone in the ruins of Norwich but escapes to Eels Island (Ely Cathedral) where she discovers a sinister society run by a strange boy named Dooby. Will she ever find her parents? There are endless writing opportunities that arise from the story that we will be capitalising on, including writing a letter and a poem! As always, we will be exposing the children to as many styles of writing as possible.

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 **MONDAY** to evidence that *at least four* 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 follow by a main session of learning. This term we will first be focussing on the follow areas: fractions, decimals and percentages. At the end of term, we will have a change of direction where we'll looking at algebraic rules, expressions and formula. There will also be a consistently heavy focus on times tables. Most areas of Maths depend on good times table knowledge; please rehearse them as much as possible at home.

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'Our Precious World.' Within this unit of learning, we explore Geography, in particular the differences in environments around the world as well as focusing on the effects of climate change on our planet. We will kick start the term with a fantastic 'art to start'. Keep checking our blog to see our topic learning as it develops over the coming weeks..

PE

Year 6 have PE every Monday and Thursday afternoon. Please ensure that they come in to school in a full PE kit. (Suitable for the weather at this time of year.)

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.

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.

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 on Mondays through Thursdays.