



Ramsgate Arts Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum - Term 5



Morning Routines

All Year 6 children will be welcomed from 8.15 am each day at the classroom doors. They will unpack their bags and then find their seat. Each morning, the interactive whiteboard will outline the timetable for the day and also some Early Morning Work linked to their learning. This will be maths related: times tables and general arithmetic. The children are expected to prepare themselves for the day by using the toilet before the register and also ensuring their water bottle is filled up.

English

In Term 5, our learning is centralised around a wonderful novel by Malorie Blackman called 'Pig Heart Boy.' It is about a thirteen-year-old boy who suffers from a rare heart defect that he knows is going to kill him. All seems lost until one day he meets a doctor, a doctor who could save his life. The only problem is that the treatment is experimental, controversial and risky. He wants to replace his failing heart with the heart of a pig! There are endless writing opportunities that arise from the story that we will be capitalising on, including writing a balanced argument, an explanation text and a magazine article. Due to SATS preparation, we will begin our writing in week 5.

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 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 be focusing on statistics and SATS reasoning-style questions. Whilst exploring statistics, we will look at how to read, interpret and draw line graphs before looking in-depth at pie charts. In this topic, we also look at the radius and diameter of circles. With the SATS taking place in week 4 of this term, we will be reviewing previous reasoning questions – with the children working in pairs to explore HOW to answer them. Most areas of Maths depend on good times table knowledge; please rehearse them regularly at home.

RAPS Curriculum

This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'Living Alive!' Within this unit of learning, we explore Science and some of the world's greatest scientists. The topic focuses on life in the animal and plant kingdom, including micro-organisms like bacteria. We will kick start the term off with some super 'art to start' bacteria marbling inside petri dishes. Keep checking our blog to see our topic learning.

PE

Year 6 have PE every Monday and Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure that they arrive wearing a full kit in school on these days.

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 on Mondays through Thursdays.

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.