

Class Quote of the Term:
"Every mistake you make is progress."



Whitehill Primary School

**Year 6 Learning Letter
Term 1**

Maths

In maths we will be studying number including place value and the four operations.

We will look at digits up to 10,000,000 and ensure that we know the value of each digit in those numbers.

We will study the written methods for addition and subtraction (including exchange). Using this we will apply our skills in a variety of ways to different mathematical problems.

We will study the different written methods for division and multiplication (using both the long and short methods). We will then look at using these skills in real life applications.

Learning Express

We will be displaying our work on the celebration "Day of the Dead". We will express our learning by creating our own "Day of the Dead" masks and creating a Whitehill, year 6, "Day of the Dead" carnival.

Welcome to year 6!

Welcome to term 1! This letter will inform you about the learning that is happening in year 6 this term.

World's Big Questions

Our topic this term is 'Hola Mexico'. This topic is based around Geography and History. We will be learning about Mexico, where it can be found, its climate and the Mayan culture.

We will be learning the answer to the questions:

Who were the Mayans?

What Gods did the Mayans believe in?

What was life like for the Mayans?

Who discovered the Mayans?

How did the Mayans count?

Science

We will be developing our scientific investigative skills, especially evaluating experiments, through our science topic of Energy and Sound

RE

We will be learning about justice and freedom, what it is and what the different religions think about justice and freedom.

English

We will be reading the book "Hole" by Louis Sachar. This book follows the journey of a wrong boy who is falsely accused of a crime and so sent to "Camp Green Lake" a mysterious prison where children are forced to dig.

Through the use of this text we will be developing our vocabulary, retrieval and inference skills in reading.

We will also be writing a variety of pieces including: persuasive letters to the judge, in order to free the protagonist of the story; diary entries (from different characters in the text) and balanced arguments focusing on the idea of justice.

Accelerated Reader

To help your child with their reading this term, please encourage them to read every night and to make predictions as they are reading.

Please ensure your child brings in their contact book to school every day.

PE

For PE this term our outdoor PE will be taught by our PE specialist Mr Foreman. Indoor PE will focus on gymnastics.