



Autumn Term Newsletter

Year Six

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to the new, and final, school year! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your child's new teacher- Miss Blakeley. I am very excited about my new post at Bookwell and, after four years of teaching upper Key Stage Two, I am looking forward to the new and exciting opportunities that Bookwell has to offer.

Below you will find a short summary of what will be covered this term in each subject.

English

We will be starting our term by delving into the popular children's book 'Skellig' by David Almond. Children will have vast opportunities to write creatively and will become more confident when using more complex punctuation, vocabulary and sentence types. Grammar, punctuation and spelling will be taught discreetly and widely referred to in context. We will be learning about word classes, higher-level punctuation and clauses. Prefixes, suffixes, homophones and common word endings will be taught in spelling sessions.

Maths

This half term we will be concentrating on the 'number' element of the curriculum. We will be learning about: place value, multiplication and division, multiples and factors, rounding and finally everybody's favourite...fractions! Children will become more confident when applying their knowledge in different situations and will learn with an investigative attitude.

Science and Topic

Our first science topic is all about living things including humans, animals, plants and microorganisms. We will be creating classification diagrams, conducting experiments and carrying out research to widen our scientific knowledge. We will also be learning about the heart and circulatory system. World War Two will be our history topic for this term. Children will use our new ipads to conduct research and display their knowledge using newly discovered applications. Children will also have R.E, French, PSHCE and music lessons on a weekly basis.

P.E will take place on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure that your child has their full P.E kit on these days. Children may bring a sweatshirt for P.E as the weather gets colder.

Homework will be given out on a Monday and will reflect the learning from the previous week. Children will receive paper homework, which will be stuck in their homework book, as well as spellings and times tables. Children will be tested on their spellings and times tables the following Monday. It is important that children complete all of their homework including their reading. If your child is struggling with their homework, please send it back to school with them and I will help.

Please get in touch if you have any questions or problems; my door is always open and I appreciate an open and honest parent/teacher relationship. I look forward to meeting you at parents evening in the Autumn term.

Miss Blakeley 😊