YEAR 6 CURRICULUM NEWS
SUMMER TERM 2
'MARVELLOUS MEMORIES'



English – As readers and writers, our key text this term is 'Rooftoppers' by Katherine Rundell. We are looking forward to stimulating some great writing in action and non-fiction from this super story and other sources. We will be completing teacher assessments in writing.

Maths – As mathematicians, as we prepare for secondary school, we will be consolidating our individual learning across various areas in maths. We will be working on some themed projects and problem solving.

Science – As scientists, this unit introduces the children to the key concepts of evolution and inheritance by building upon previous topics, including animal characteristics and fossils. The children will learn about inherited traits and apply their knowledge to various animals and plants, before being introduced to the work of Mary Anning and Charles Darwin. Through the presentations and tasks, the children will learn about the fascinating history of the human race and discover links between extinct animals and those which are still living today.

RE – As contemplators, we will continue to ask the big questions, 'Do we need a deity to be committed to creating a better world?'

History/Geography – As historians, we will be completing a unit called 'Unheard histories: who should go on the £10.00 banknote?'. The unit will prepare the children for the challenges of Key Stage 3 history. It supports the development of historical skills including extracting information from sources, evaluating historical figures and the opportunity to decide the criteria for significance.

Art and Design/Design Technology – As designers, we will be creating a personal memory box using a collection of found objects and hand-sculptured forms reflecting primary school life.

PE – As sports stars, the children will be learning the skills involved with and playing cricket and rounders.

PSHE – As thinkers, we will be learning about the risks of alcohol in our first lesson. Tying in with our computing, we will then learn how to become a discerning consumer of information online and we will look into how online relationships should be treated in the same way as face-to-face relationships. During SRE week, we will learn about puberty, understanding the biology of conception and understanding the development of a baby during pregnancy.

Computing – As computer scientists, we will be learning about HTML (HyperText Markup Language) which is a computer language to help website creation. In this unit, pupils will learn how to program and publish a simple website. Pupils will be able to start building their own websites from scratch and consolidate their understanding of text-based programming languages, which are a big part of the Key Stage 3 Computing Curriculum. Pupils will be encouraged to develop their own content for their web pages based on their topic and expand their web pages to create a website.

Spanish – As linguists, we will be using descriptive and directional language to navigate and describe key landmarks within an Ancient Maya city.

Music – As musicians, we will be learning and practicing songs for our production and performing for the whole school as well as parents. We will also look at performance and movement when on stage.