

Curriculum Information
Term 4 2020-21
Year 6 – Bechstein’s Bats



English

We will be reading 'Sky Song by Abi Elphinstone

In our writing, we will be learning to:
Write an adventure narrative based on character perspectives
Create our own poems
Write a newspaper article on the history of polar discovery
Write a double-page spread on Shackleton

Maths

We will be learning about:

Volume

Graphs and Averages

Science

We will be learning how living things are classified into broad groups according to characteristics and their similarities and differences. We will be learning how to use classification keys to identify animals and plants from a range of habitats. We will be learning how animals have adapted to their environments and how those adaptations may lead to evolution. We will also be learning how to ask broader and deeper questions about the wider world. Finally, we will be learning how to plan a scientific enquiry about icebergs.

Frozen Kingdoms

During this half term, we will be learning about the characteristics and features of polar regions, including the North and South Poles. We will be carrying out a detailed exploration of the environmental factors that shape and influence them. We will be learning about indigenous people of the Arctic and we will be exploring the lives of polar explorers such as Robert Falcon Scott, Matthew Henson, Ernest Shackleton and, as well as investigating the famous voyage of the Titanic. We will also be learning about Felicity Aston who was the first woman to ski solo across Antarctica.

Spelling

Review Year 5/6 Spelling list
Topic spellings
Hyphens
Prefixes

Art: We will be completing an art project led by Miss Penny, which will build on key artistic skills such as observation and tone.

Music: In music next term, Year 6 will be learning to compose musical soundscapes to accompany their topic, Frozen Kingdoms. They will be considering how to use their knowledge of dynamics, tempo and pitch to represent different settings, animals and weather in their compositions, and will be listening to and analysing music written about animals and nature. They will continue to learn to read rhythm notation and singing and composing using "Doh/Re/Mi" pitches.

PE: Our emphasis this term is 'Fitness and Fun'. We want to continue developing a love for physical activity as well as specifically focusing on the skills of jumping and balancing. We will do this through a range of fun games and activities.

PSHE: This term we will be looking at community and money, including learning about jobs and taxes, how to live and shop sustainably, how to save and the benefits of saving money.

Geography: We will be learning about polar climates, oceans and landscapes and how they are being affected by climate change. We will be learning about natural resources and how indigenous people live. We will finally be investigating tourism in Antarctica.

History: We will be learning about polar explorers and who discovered the polar regions. We will be learning about Ernest Shackleton and The Titanic.

RE: We will find out why Lent, Holy Week and Easter are so important to Christians. We will learn how Jesus taught about forgiveness, by listening to and discussing parables from The Bible.