

## ENGLISH

This half term the children will be exploring arguments by preparing and taking part in debates and creating written balanced arguments. As part of their preparation, they will read a number of arguments which show the features necessary for the text to be successful. This work will enable children to focus on their use of formal language as well as giving them the opportunity to use a wider range of conjunctions and to improve the way they structure paragraphs.

## GEOGRAPHY

This unit of work focuses on the USA. As well as studying the states, cities and varied landscapes of the country, we will practise our map skills – including the use of six figure map references. We will also delve briefly into the early history of the USA as this is inextricably linked to the creation of the states themselves.

## SCIENCE

The children will be studying circulatory systems in humans and other animals. This will involve learning about respiration, the elements which make up our blood and the structure of the human heart. They will also find out more about how food and nutrients are digested and transported around our bodies.

## RE

This half term our topic is 'life after death'. This will involve learning about how ideas of an afterlife are represented in different religions, as well as exploring funeral traditions. We will discuss why and how people say goodbye when they lose a loved one. If there are circumstances which will make this topic particularly difficult for your child, please do speak to one of the year 6 teachers.

## MATHS

Our maths lessons will focus on enabling children to apply the knowledge that they have developed in Year 6 to different real-life situations and challenges. They will use their understanding of length, capacity and mass; area and perimeter as well as averages to complete tasks as part of a team. This will provide the opportunity for the children to work collaboratively and examine how maths has a practical purpose.

## COMPUTING

This half term the children will become travel writers. They will document an upcoming educational visit, will be required to research their destination and explore different possible routes. While there, they will capture photographs, audio and video. On return, they will add this content to a digital map.

## ART AND DESIGN

During this half term, pupils will explore the method of cotton cloth manufacture and the design process for clothes made using textiles. Children will look closely at the way garments are constructed before designing, making and evaluating products that are hand sewn.

## PE

In indoor PE the children will be creating and carrying out gymnastic sequences using apparatus at a variety of heights. This will test their balance and control. Netball will be the focus of their outdoor PE sessions, where they will improve their marking skills and footwork before taking part in matches.

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