

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

MALBY REDWOOD

Year Six



Welcome to the Autumn 2 edition of the Year 6 newsletter. You will find lots of information about the curriculum, how to help your child at home and any other notes. If you have any questions, please ask the class teacher.

Our current learning journey: Were the Ancient Maya great builders?

Curriculum outline

Reading: We are studying the stories 'Wolves of Willoughby Chase' by Joan Aitken and Charles Dicken's 'A Christmas Carol'.

Writing: Building up on our knowledge of narratives, we will be writing a story inspired by the short film 'Paperman' and writing a formal letter to Mr Scrooge.

Maths: Long division, order of operations followed by fractions.

Science: We will be investigating light and shadow including experiments involving torches, mirrors and water to show reflection and refraction.

P.E: Two different elements looking at flexibility and strength: gymnastics and dance.

History: We will learn about the Ancient Maya civilisation and investigate how the Maya settled in the rainforest, their religious beliefs, homes and what archaeological remains tell us about Maya cities

DT: We will be designing, building and testing different bridge structures including a parents 'Stay and Bridge Building Challenge.'

PSHE: Continuing our topic on relationships, growing up and responsibilities.

Computing: Special effects greenscreen videos: using iMovie to create illusion films including voice over and sound-tracks.

Helping your child at home

- Practice Y5/6 statutory spellings and grammar using EdShed <https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>
- Rapid recall of times tables – TTRockstars, Hit the Button
- Mathsbot has self-marking online arithmetic papers <https://mathsbot.com/primary/ks2>
- Here is a range of online maths videos to help with the tricky bits! <https://www.youtube.com/c/KeyStage2Maths/playlists>



Dates

- **04.11.25** - Halloween Disco
- **12.11.25** - Parents 'Stay and STEM – bridge building' 2.30pm
- **14.11.24** – Children in Need
- **17.11.25** – Maths week
- **28.11.25** – Pantomime (Payable on Parentpay)
- **02.12.25** – Ancient Maya event with Dr Diane (Payable on Parentpay)
- **11.12.25** – Christmas jumper day
- **11.12.25** – Christmas performance 2.15pm
- **12.12.25** – Christmas performance 9.30am
- **15.12.25** – Christmas fayre – 2.30pm
- **16.12.25** – Santa's grotto
- **17.12.25** – Christmas Dinner and Jumper Day
- **19.12.25** - Christmas Party



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