

Autumn Term 2024

Year 6



Welcome...

Welcome to Year 6! In preparation for secondary school, it is important that we support your children to become independent and enthusiastic learners. At St Peter's School we know that with a solid home-school partnership we can achieve this goal together. We have had a great start to the year with some structured discussions about the type of classroom environment we need and why this is important to us and are now looking forward to enjoying the year ahead! Best wishes, Mrs Gower

Homework

Set on Monday, due on Friday.

Reading - Children to record when they read, page numbers and a sentence about what they have read every day.

Spelling: 10 a week, taught on Monday and tested on Friday.

Times tables: Tested on Fridays.

Maths/English: A short weekly activity.

Autumn Focus

Our first topic that we will focus on this term will be all things **South American**. We will learn about the location and climate of some South American countries. We will look at some human and physical geography, comparing differences between Jersey and South American countries, as well as delving into the issues surrounding the Amazon. We will also create some artwork surrounding the topic.

In science, we will be learning how to classify living things from elephants to yeast.

In PSHE we will be focusing on building teamwork, working co-operatively and facing new challenges, as well as learning about the wider world around us.

In French, we will have Madame Surcouf joining us for the first half of this term to help us with our French learning. We will focus on weather and seasons, building up to creating and delivering our own weather report in French.



PE

Our PE days will be on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.

Literacy & Numeracy

Throughout this year, we will be using class texts to develop our reading and writing skills. This half-term we will be focusing on the book 'Survivors'. This is a series of short texts and stories based around people that have overcome adversity and survived through some extreme events. This will include a text based in Peru to provide a link to our topic on South America. Our focus genres this half-term are creating poetry and writing from a different point of view. In the second half of the term, we will focus on the books 'Shackleton's Journey' and 'Wild Animals of the South'. We will write a formal letter of application, as well as a non-fiction text about an Antarctic animal.

In maths this term the children will develop their skills including place value of 8-digit numbers, addition and subtraction, addition/subtraction of decimals, algebra, multiplication and division (including multiples, factors and prime numbers), decimals and fractions.

It is important for children to have a secure knowledge in number, such as quick mental recall of basic number facts and times tables. Please support your child in reinforcing these skills at home.

