

# Learning Launchpad: Spring 1, 2021-22



## Year 6

## Miss Whiteley and Mr Price

We would like to thank you all for your support this term. Year 6 are settled in and have been working extremely hard in all areas of the curriculum. Particular highlights include; their group work for our STEM project and their fantastic Christmas themed dances. What a demonstration of creativity and team work! As we enter a new term, we are really excited about what we have planned and of course being able to take the children swimming again.

## Key 'learning and doing' + useful links . . .

**English:** Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman

Writing to Discuss - A balanced argument looking at various viewpoints answering the big question, 'Should Cameron have a heart transplant?'

To Inform - A newspaper report that informs the reader of the young boy's heart transplant. **PSHE link:** Staying healthy.

### **Maths:**

...use common factors to simplify fractions; use common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination

...compare and order fractions, including fractions  $> 1$

...add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers, using the concept of equivalent fractions

...multiply simple pairs of proper fractions, writing the answer in its simplest form ...divide proper fractions by whole numbers ...associate a fraction with division and calculate decimal fraction equivalents [for example, 0.375] for a simple fraction [for example,  $\frac{3}{8}$ ]

...identify the value of each digit in numbers given to three decimal places and multiply and divide numbers by 10, 100 and 1000 giving answers up to three decimal places

...multiply one-digit numbers with up to two decimal places by whole numbers

...use written division methods in cases where the answer has up to two decimal places

...solve problems which require answers to be rounded to specified degrees of accuracy

...recall and use equivalences between simple fractions, decimals and percentages, including in different contexts.

**Science:** Why is it important to maintain a healthy circulatory system?

### **Other subjects:**

**Art:** Make My Voice Heard / Draw, Tone, Paint, Colour & Sculpt

**Computing:** Who was Alan Turing? and Safer Internet Day

**French:** Playing & enjoying sport

**History:** How has Halifax changed over time?

**Music:** Benjamin Britten - A New Year Carol

**PE:** Gymnastics and Swimming

**RE:** What do Christians believe about the old and new covenants?

**PSHE:** How can the media influence people?

## Key dates and reminders . . .

### Key dates:

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – School reopens

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Year 6 Chester Zoo Trip

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February – School breaks up for February half term

### Reminders:

**PE Kit:** Year 6's PE lesson take place on a Thursday. Can the children please come dressed in their PE kit.

**Swimming:** We will be going swimming every Friday. Please send your child to school with their swimming things in a labelled bag. See letter on Seesaw for more information.

**Homework:** Homework (a piece of English and a piece of Maths) is provided to children each Friday in their Homework Journals. This should be completed by the following week.

**Home Learning:** In the eventuality that a child / class have to work from home, lesson activities will be posted to Seesaw under the "Activities" tab daily. Depending on the activity, the children may be able to complete the activity on Seesaw, or can take a picture of their work and post it for their teacher to approve.