

Frozen Kingdom

Year 6's Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the planet's coldest lands, which are incredibly beautiful, yet often deadly.

This half term, we'll start by making and observing icebergs. We'll then find out more about them using non-fiction books. Using globes and maps, we'll identify the polar regions, comparing the Arctic and Antarctic. We'll also think about how we can protect the polar environment. Then, we'll investigate the tragic story of the RMS *Titanic*, and find out about the people on board. When we're more familiar with the polar regions, we'll write exciting stories and chronological reports. Researching our favourite polar animals will be fun, and we'll create animal artwork inspired by the Inuit people. We'll experiment with digital photography and create amazing effects using paints and dyes.

| ILP focus | Music |
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| English | Chronological reports; Short narratives |
| Science | Living things and their habitats; Electricity |
| History | Emigration and exploration in the early 1900s |
| Art & design | Painting; Block printing |
| Computing | Making a text-based adventure game |
| D&T | Structures |
| Geography | Features of the polar regions |
| Music | Soundscapes |
| PE | Gymnastics |
| French | Animals at home; Landscapes; Places in a town centre |
| RE | Remembering Roots; Being courageous and confident |
| RRSA | Care of the environment |

Help your child prepare for their project

This half term, we're going to learn about the coldest places on Earth. Why not watch a documentary such as the BBC *Frozen Planet* series together? You could also freeze pieces of fruit with fruit juice in lolly moulds, to create frozen treats with a hidden surprise. Alternatively, work together to create a snowy collage.

Year 6 notices:

- Please make sure that children are in school, on time, so that they can complete morning activities and get ready for the school day. Lessons start at 8.45am.
- Please send your child in their **PE kit on PE days**. This includes black jogging bottoms or leggings, a red crew neck t-shirt, their school red jumper and black trainers or pumps. Children can change into pumps if needed.
- Children can have a **fruit snack** at playtime. Please remember to bring fruit in.
- Please ensure children are accessing 'Times Table Rockstars' regularly to improve their times table recall.
- Make sure your child is accessing Bugclub regularly to support their reading.
- Homework is set every Friday on Google Classrooms – please make sure your child is accessing this and returning homework before the following Thursday.

Thank you for your support