

### Notices

This is a very important year for your child; if you need any advice or support please come and see me as soon as your concern or need arises.

All home learning is sent out every Friday and must be returned the following Wednesday. Spellings will also be given out on Friday for a test the following week. Our topic this term is about Africa. The children will explore terrain, biomes and cultures and improve map work. Our second topic is all about the United Kingdom. We will explore countries, cities, regions and features of the UK and will use fieldwork to record and explain areas. Children will be asked to complete a topic home learning and details of this will be in their home school diary.

Booster maths club will start promptly **EVERY** Thursday at 8am. Our first booster club will start on **Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 2018**. All children are expected to come; more information will be given during our first parent's meeting (refer to additional letter).

There will be a parent's meeting on **Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 3:15pm** in Year 6 classroom. I highly recommend you come to this meeting as I will be talking about our booster clubs, curriculum requirements, SATs, and addressing any concerns or questions you might have at this point.

Your child's attendance this year is absolutely crucial! Please ensure that your child is in school and on time, especially week beginning **13<sup>th</sup> May, 2019** for SATs week.

Welcome back to Featherstone Wood Primary School. This is a new and exciting time for you and your child. It will be a time of change and new beginnings--new surroundings, new skills, new friends and new challenges. By working together we can make it very happy and rewarding experience.

We are available at the start and at the end of every day. Appointments can be arranged for longer meetings, if necessary.

Please contact us in writing to let us know of any pre-arranged absences (e.g. Dental/Medical Appointments) and let us know if anyone different will be collecting your child from school at any time. We look forward to getting to know you and your children during the year.

### Reminders for this Term

- ◆ Children have PE and swimming once per week. Your child will need their PE kit in school every day. There may be some weeks where our PE day changes and your child will need their full kit, for indoor and outdoor games.

# Featherstone Wood

## Primary School

### Topic Planner



## Year 6

## Autumn 2018

**English: War Horse by Michael Morpurgo**  
**Report, recount, explanation and fictional writing**

In English we will be learning to:

- write in role, adapting to historical characters
- read and explore autobiographies and biographies
- write reports as part of a presentation on a non-fiction subject, choosing the appropriate style and form
- report and present findings linked to science
- write a range of short stories conveying different genres, as part of our Take One Book
- read, write and perform free verse

**Music**

In music children will be learning how to improvise and compose music for a range of purpose.

**R.E**

The children will learn to:

- Explore the differences between Christians and Buddhists
- Know the meaning of Christmas according to Christians



**Mathematics**

The children will extend their learning by:

- Exploring, understanding and applying the number system
- Securing numerical fluency
- Developing strategies for problem solving
- Securing their application of word problems
- Securing and developing fraction, decimal and percentage work
- Solving ratio and proportion problems
- Understanding and solving geometry
- Using and applying within statistics

**Key Topic Vocabulary:**

- World War
- Countries
- Trenches
- Treaty
- Characteristics
- Palaeontologists
- Evolution
- Inheritance
- Habitat classification

**Science**

In science we will be learning about:

- Classification: Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals
- Humans and Health: Circulatory system and impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle

**PE**

The children will learn to:

- Swim competently, confidently and proficiently over a distance of at least 25 metres
- Use a range of strikes effectively
- Perform safe self-rescue in different water-based
- Take part in striking and fielding events and assess performances

**French**

Children will continue learning words, phrases, sounds, vocabulary activities and games.

**ICT**

The children will learn to:

- E-Safety
- Investigate the concept of 'big data' sharing its application in the world for areas; such as meteorology, traffic flow, etc.

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development:**

The children will be learning: New Beginnings and Going for Gold

- Finding strategies to cope with falling out with friends
- Identifying their positive skills and setting themselves challenges

**Art**

To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials.

**Topic- History and Geography**

Children will explore World War One in detail as part of our whole school Topic this Autumn Term. We will explore the United Kingdom's place in the war, facts that lead-up to the war and countries involved in the war. Finally, we will research how the war ended and why.

**Useful websites and places of interest**

- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2> Science, Maths and English
- <http://www.ego4u.com> Useful for all areas of English
- <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zqhyb9q> Useful for World War one Topic

**DT-Constructing a famous landmark**

Children will generate, develop, model and communicate their ideas through discussion, annotated sketches, cross-sectional and exploded diagrams, prototypes, pattern pieces and computer aided design