

The Ferns Primary Academy

Year 6 Autumn Term Curriculum

What will we be learning this term?

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Home Learning

Please remember that children are expected to read at home each evening and their planner should be signed by an adult when they have done so. It is extremely important for children to read at home as well as school.

We do have educational websites and the school blog to enhance our learning. You can visit the school website www.thefernsacademy.org in order to follow the learning links to websites or our year group blog where you can enjoy seeing photos and videos of your child's learning.

PE

For this term, your child's PE will take place on a Friday and will be carried out by sports specialists.

English

*Quality Texts : Journey to Jo'Burg,
The Last Wild*

This term, we will be looking at a range of different genres within our English lessons including descriptions, an adventure story and a non-chronological report.

In reading children will be reading a ranges of fiction and non fictions texts. We will also be looking at different skills including predicting, inference, summarizing and discussing choice of language used.

Maths

This term, the main focus for children will be the development of their skills in number and calculation. For Year 6, this will include:

- *Place value*
- *Using the four operations*
- *Reasoning and problem solving*

Science

Enquiry Questions:

- *Can we adapt a lion ready for the Antarctic?*
- *Will we always look like this?*

These two units will look at the themes of adaptation and evolution in animals. Children will recognise that living things have changed over time and explore how fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago . They will research how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and learn how adaptation may lead to evolution.



Topic

Enquiry Question:

- *How has African society changed over time?*

Within our linked History and Geography work this term, children will study the countries that make up the continent of Africa. Their enquiries will reach back as far as the rituals and beliefs of Benin, West Africa in the 1200s and also consider what impact Nelson Mandela had on modern South Africa. To coincide with this theme, the children will have the chance to produce their own African patterns and design and make traditional African tribal masks.

Big Bangs

This term we will be visiting Chester zoo to link to our African Topic as well as our animal adaptations and evolution work in Science.

If you ever have any problems regarding your child or need advice, please do not hesitate to make an appointment at the school office to see one of us.