

# CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Spring Term 1 - Year 6 Monarch Class



## READING

**The Last Wild**, by Piers Torday. In a world where animals no longer exist, twelve-year-old Kester Jaynes sometimes feels like he hardly exists either. Locked away in a home for troubled children, he's told there's something wrong with him. So when he meets a flock of talking pigeons and a bossy cockroach, Kester thinks he's finally gone a bit mad.



## WRITING

**Beetle Boy**, by MG Leonard. Dr Bartholomew Cuttle, the director of science at the Natural History Museum, has seemingly vanished off the face of the Earth, disappearing from the beetle vaults in mysterious circumstances. Now, Dr Cuttle's only son Darkus vows to find him.



## MATHS

As mathematicians, we will continue to work with fractions, decimals and percentages as well as exploring area, perimeter and volume. There is a strong link between fractions, decimals, percentages and times tables, so please support your child by helping them to practise regularly at home.



## SCIENCE

We will learn to identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way our bodies function and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported.



## HISTORY

Ancient Mayans – we will be learning about the way that the Ancient Mayans organised their society... and what the first Europeans thought when they met them!



## ART & DT

We will discover how artists use layers and juxtaposition to create artwork which explores identity – we will make our own layered portrait.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

In PE we will continue with improving our fitness with circuit training as well as building physical skills including attacking and defending.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)

We will be exploring Hinduism and trying to answer the question “Why do Hindus want to be good?”



## MUSIC

We will be finding out about how music is used in films.



## COMPUTING

We will be finding out about Big Data, barcodes and RFID technology.



## PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH AND ECONOMIC EDUCATION (PSHE)

Our theme this half term will be citizenship.



## FRENCH

We will learn about the date this half term.