

# Year 6 Curriculum Letter - Summer Term 2022



We hope you all had a relaxing Easter break and enjoyed the sunshine. We would like to congratulate our Year 6 children on their hard work and super attitude last term. We now look forward to their final term at Applecroft which will be full of even more exciting opportunities and activities.

## SATs

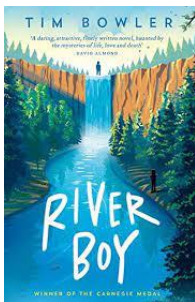
The statutory assessment tests will take place in the week commencing 9th May. During this week, groups of children will be in charge of providing a healthy snack to give a little energy boost before the tests. More information will follow about the organisation of this.

## Maths

Key arithmetic skills continue to be a focus in our maths lessons. Other topics will include algebra, volume and statistics. In order to practise mathematical skills, there are many interactive on-line websites the children can use such as: SAM Learning, Times Table Rockstars and BBC Bitesize.



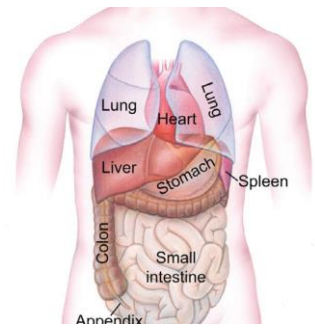
## English



Our reading will focus on comprehension and written response and will include a unit of work on the book, *Skellig*, by David Almond. In writing lessons, we will work on narrative writing, letters of complaints and discussion texts. We will also be doing some cross-curricular writing in History and Science. In addition, we will build in regular spelling and grammar sessions. Our class novel is *River Boy* by Tim Bowler. Please encourage your child to also read at home as often as possible.

## Science

Our topic this term is on 'Animals Including Humans' in which we will be learning more about the major organs, the circulatory system and how diet and exercise affect our bodies.



## Geography

This term, Year 6 will be looking at 'Settlement, Land use and Economic Relationships'. We will be finding the answers to a number of questions: What are settlements and where are they found? Do settlements have a pattern? Do people, their movement and economic activity have patterns?



## History

This term in History, our topic will be 'How conflict changed our area in World War 2'. The children will be learning about RAF Bury St Edmunds and RAF Newmarket, alongside finding out how air bases effected our local area.

## Art & Design



In Art and Design we will be continuing our topic on printing and starting a sculpting topic based on Henry Moore. The children will be designing both realistic and abstract sculptures using materials such as papier mache, clay, wire and modroc.

## Design and Technology

This term in Design and Technology we are going to be investigating and learning about mechanical systems, with a focus on pulleys and gears. We will be working in small groups to design and make a product that contains either pulleys or gears to allow parts of the product to move.

## Physical Education (PE)

PE will take place on Thursdays for all of Y6 and then on Tuesdays for 6Moore and Fridays for 6Warhol; the children need to come to school in their PE kits on these days. We will be learning a range of skills such as throwing, jumping, running, batting and fielding.



## Religious Education (RE)

This term we are learning about Christianity. We will be looking at the idea of God and how God is shown in the Bible. We will also explore the similarities and differences between the different denominations within Christianity. In addition, we will be visiting St Francis Church and learning all about the church and what can be found there.

## Computing

This term in Computing, Year 6 will be discovering how to use spreadsheets, specifically on Google Sheets, for event planning. The children will be learning the skills of creating a formula, modifying spreadsheets and using spreadsheets to calculate.

## Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)

In our French lessons, our topic will be 'Moi Dans Le Monde' - Me in the World. The children will be learning the vocabulary for countries around the world, festivals and celebrations, as well as learning how to have a discussion in French around the topic of saving the environment.

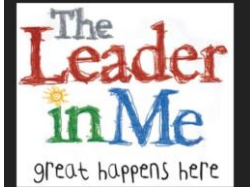
## 'Monday Me'

These sessions include PSHE and The Leader in Me.



## PSHE

In our PSHE lessons, we will be covering 'Our Relationships' and 'Changing Me' units which includes our 'Sex Education learning at Applecroft'. To find out more about how we teach PSHE, Relationships and Sex Education at Applecroft please visit the [relevant page of our website by clicking here](#)'.



### Leader In Me

We will continue our learning of the Leader in Me and the 7 Habits, encouraging good choices and independence. We will be learning how to 'Sharpen the Saw', and about other ways to lead, such as being a good role model.

### Music

Our topic this term is all about inspirational women in the music industry. We will be listening to music written by a range of women and exploring the theme of identity in our own compositions.



### Home Learning

Subject	Day it will be set	Day it is due in
English Maths Science	Monday Wednesday Friday	Monday Monday Friday
Topic/Art: 2-3 pieces every half term		

### Attendance & Punctuality

The children have an excellent attendance rate and we would like this to continue throughout the summer term. Registration is at 8.55am but we are encouraging the children to arrive at 8.45am so that they are ready to start learning by 9.00am.

### Uniform

Children must wear their normal school uniform throughout the summer (except on PE days) including school shoes. They must also have a pair of trainers in school at all times. On warmer days they must bring a hat and wear sunscreen.

Leavers' hoodies will be permitted as a coat from half term and can be worn in school during the last week of term, although they are not suitable for very warm weather.

### Communication

All communication with the children is via Google Classroom and we will send

occasional emails to parents using the Y6 email address:  
[year6@applecroft.herts.sch.uk](mailto:year6@applecroft.herts.sch.uk)

As always, please feel free to contact us if you have any queries.

### Diary Dates

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Bank Holiday

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May: Young Voices Concert (Choir only)

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May-Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May: SATs Week

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Queen's Jubilee Picnic in the Park

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May: Bikeability

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June: KS2 Athletics @ Gosling

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June: Occasional Day

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June: Rounders Competition @ Monks Walk

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July Y6 Whipsnade Trip

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Y6 Transition Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Open Afternoon

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July: Leavers' Assembly 7-8pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Leavers' Assembly 9.10am