



Iver Village Junior School – Year 6 – Autumn 2017-2018

TEACHERS: <i>Rowling</i> - Miss Bjorck <i>Rosen</i> - Mrs Bowden	
PE	This term PE for Year 6 is taught on a Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon by our Sports Coach - Mr Hawkes. Please ensure your child comes prepared for their PE lessons with the correct PE kit and that it is named.
SPELLINGS	Children will be continuing to progress through Cracking Spellings which is a level based spelling system. They will take home a spelling list and practise booklet for their colour band. Once they feel prepared and have completed all practise activities they can tell their teacher who will test them.
READING HOMEWORK	Daily reading and discussion about their book. Please make sure your child is reading every day and that you have signed their blue reading record book. Please ensure that your child has their reading record and book in school every day. Teachers will collect these and review each week. Don't forget to use Bug Club as well.
HOMEWORK TIMETABLE	Friday- Maths and English homework set each week. Children are invited to attend Homework Club after school on Friday if they need help. Wednesday- Homework handed back in to class teacher; if this does not happen then your child will complete their homework on Thursday lunchtime in homework catch-up club.
PROJECT HOMEWORK	This term's project homework is based around 120 years of IVJS in preparation for our birthday celebration on the 16 th September. Children will need to find as many ways as they can of spending 120 seconds. The more imaginative the better!
<p>To support your child this half term you could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage and support their reading at home • Remind children to manage their homework effectively and to seek help when needed • Help your child to practise their times tables and related division facts • Ensure they bring the correct equipment to school, including PE kit • Find out more about the Mayan Civilisation: http://www.mayankids.com/ and http://mayas.mrdonn.org/ 	
<p>Key Dates: Parent drop-in sessions - Every Monday at 3:15 / 11+ Transfer Tests 14.9.17 / IVJS 120 years celebration - 16.9.17 / PGL Meeting for Parents 20.9.17 / Heathrow Coding Challenge 21.9.17 / Harvest Festival Week 25.9.17 / Y6 PGL Residential Week 9-13.10.17 / Class Assembly (PGL) 19.10.17 / Disco (Fancy Dress) 20.10.17 / School Photo Day 1.11.17 / Maya Workshop 2.11.17 / Parent Consultations 7+9.11.17 / Anti Bullying Week 13.11.17 / Enterprise Week 11.12.17 / Christmas Lunch 14.12.17 / End of Term 21.12.17</p>	

Year 6

Autumn Term

English

Reading will be a focus during guided reading sessions; children will be given the strategies and skills to develop into fluent, independent readers. During English and publishing lessons children will focus on developing their writing abilities and will advance in their understanding of different genres. There will be a focus on editing where the children develop critical thinking skills enabling them to change their work so that it is more effective and fit for purpose. Within this term we will cover letters, newspaper reports, narrative, explanation and poetry. In addition, spelling and grammar will have a weekly focus. Children will be focusing on writing at the expected level or at greater depth.

Science

Light

How can I develop my understanding of working scientifically? Can I plan and carry out a fair test from which I can draw conclusions? How can I understand that light travels in straight lines from the source to our eyes allowing us to see?

Electricity

How can I understand and describe how electricity travels through a circuit? How can I draw a circuit using the correct scientific symbols?

French

Let's Visit a French town

How can I greet people? How can I purchase a train ticket? How can I ask how much something is? How can I purchase items in a shop?

Project Homework

120 challenge

How many different things can you do in 120 seconds?

Maths

We will focus on developing a deep and thorough understanding of the four operations. Calculation will involve whole numbers, fractions, decimals and percentages and will initiate understanding of the links between these. Another focus will be on the importance of knowing the four operations when using fractions. Children will work on their problem solving by developing an understanding of mathematical vocabulary. They will be able to reason mathematically by discussing methods chosen. Arithmetic skills will be refined in preparation for end of KS2 SATs.



The Mayans

Music

Bon Jovi – Living on a Prayer

How can I identify different music genres? How can I identify and discuss changes to rhythm, pitch and pulse in different pieces of music? Can I begin composing my own piece of music in a similar style?

PE

How do I develop dance skills? How do I develop my understanding of the rule and how to play rugby?

Humanities (History & Geography)

The Mayans

How do I use artefacts to find out about the Mayans? Who are the Mayans and where did they settle? What was Mayan Society like? What rules and responsibilities did the Mayan people have and how does this compare to my own life? What do the Mayans believe? Have any Mayan inventions affected our lives today? What is a Boonampak Mural and how can I create a replica?

Computing

Can I learn how to develop an app? Can I plan to become a project manager? How can I use logical reasoning to explain how some simple algorithms work and to detect and correct errors in algorithms and programs? How can I use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly? Can I identify a range of ways to report concerns I have whilst computing?

Art & DT

DT - Fashion Textiles

How do I investigate and analyse items made using textiles? How do I explore some ways in which textiles are joined and decorated? How do I design an item made using textiles?

Art

How can I sketch effectively? Can I develop my understanding of how to shade to create depth? How can I develop my understanding of how to use different materials to create various effects?

RE & PSHE

Relationships and Health and Wellbeing

How can I develop my understanding of relationships? Can I identify different ways to solve conflict with friends? What can I do to ensure I stay safe and healthy?