Kiwi Primary School

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

YEAR 5/6 Spring Term 2 2024

Welcome to Year 5 and 6

Year 5/6 teachers

Mrs Addyman (Manawatu class teacher)
Mrs Charlton and Mrs Forson (Waitangi class teachers)
Miss Lawley (Okataina class teacher)

School website

Please use our school website https://www.kiwi.wilts.sch.uk/ for regular updates and copies of letters sent home. Your child has access to Times Tables Rockstars and ClassDojo please let us know if you need another copy of logins.

We hope you find this booklet useful and are always happy to discuss your child's progress over the year. Please feel free to come and speak to your child's teacher if you have any concerns.

English

This term we will be looking at a range of newspaper articles. We will practice using a range of punctuation, including parenthesis as well as looking at the precise and technical language we should use in our writing.

Science

We will explore the movement of the celestial bodies in our Solar System, including the Earth and other planets and the Moon. They discover how the rotation of the Earth causes night and day and how sundials work. Pupils find out about the uses of satellites and the problem with space junk.

Computing.

We will be identifying some of the types of data that the Mars Rover collects and explaining how the Mars Rover transmits the data back to Earth. We will read to read binary numbers and understand binary addition as well as identifying input, processing and output on the Mars Rovers.

Art / Design Technology

We will be exploring the purpose and impact of images from the 'Space race' era of the 1950s and 60s. The children will be developing independence and decision-making using open- ended and experimental processes. We will also combine drawing and collagraph printmaking to create a futuristic image.

Maths

We will be calculating with fractions, finding equivalences, and exploring the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.

We will continue to practice our mental calculations skills through daily and weekly practice.

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What did the Greeks
ever do for us?

Physical Education

This term, Waitangi will be taking their turn at the pool, learning some swim safety skills. For their outdoor PE sessions, Waitangi will be learning Manawatu and Okataina will be learning the skills needed when playing indoor tennis.

Our Outdoor sessions will be based around cricket skills.

MFL

This term we will be learning how to say keywords, phrases and ideas around the topic of space in French. We will then apply this knowledge to create metaphors. We will continue this learning by looking at the galaxy, our planets and comparing them. We will finish this topic by describing an alien planet.

<u>History</u>

We will be looking at when and where the ancient Greeks lived. We will further develop our knowledge by looking at their beliefs and how they were governed. We will finish this topic by looking at the affects ancient Greeks have on our world today.

Religious Education

Our enquiry question this term is: 'Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on earth?' We will have a visit from the Padre to discuss this question.

<u>Music</u>

The children will be exploring the associations between music, sounds and colour. They will compose and perform their own musical compositions to represent Holi and the beginning of spring.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be learning how to be safe. This includes online safety as well as safety around legal and illegal drugs.

Enrichment activities.

The children will be continuing their Thursday after school clubs.

On Monday 25th March, we will be able to view space with an inflatable planetarium.