



# Barnardo Class (Year 6)

Spring 1, 2024 Newsletter



## What we are learning

Our learning this half term turns to exploring the wonderful world we live in and how it has been formed. In geography we will be examining the formation of our coastlines and rivers, whilst exploring their human impact on our society and how they are continuing to change. We have lots of exciting science to investigate this half term. Our science topic is animals including humans. We will be finding out about the human body and how we function using our major organs. We will also focus on keeping healthy and the adverse effects of drugs and alcohol. Our maths learning this half term will involve new topics including algebra and decimals.

In English we are continuing to explore a range of texts for our guided and independent comprehensions. Our writing will include a narrative based on the Titanium music video, by David Guetta, an online blog about coastal erosion and how we can protect our coastlines.

Finally in RE we will be exploring the meaning of sacred places both to individuals and major religions around the world.

In a couple of weeks time we will be embarking on our year 6 residential. It'll be a fantastic experience where the children will develop vital skills. A letter has been sent out at the beginning of the week explaining a few key elements of the trip. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

## Our Value this half term

Perseverance

## Spellings

Please keep encouraging your children to access spelling shed at least twice a week. There are lots of fun interactive games for them to be having a go at and will help boost their writing capabilities.

## Reading

Please encourage your child to read at home. Reading for 20 minutes a day exposes children to 1.2 million words over a year, and supports all areas of children's learning.



## PE Kits Days

Please send your child into school in their PE Kit on **Mondays**.

This will begin w/c 15th January. Please ensure kits meet our uniform requirements (no wording or branding other than the school badge).

## Dates for your diary

Residential: Monday 29th January - Friday 2nd February

Bikeability: W/C 19th February

Barnardo class assembly: Friday 23rd February

World Book Day: Thursday 7th March

Year 6 forest school day: Wednesday 13th March

Parents evenings: Thursday 14th March 15:30 - 18:30

Tuesday 19th March 15:30 - 18:30

British Science Week at Kirk Fenton: Monday 18th - Thursday 21st March

British Science Week assembly: Thursday 21st March  
2.15pm

Open Classrooms: Thursday 21st March 15:00 - 15:30

## Maths homework

Children still need to practise their times tables every week, through times tables rockstars. I cannot stress enough how important fluency in these key facts are for the new year 6 maths learning.

However, I will set other homework relating to our learning in class. On these occasions there is not an expectation to access TTRockstars as well.

From Mr Priory and Mrs Lynn