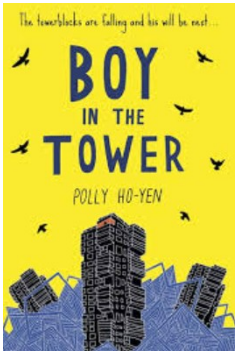
Year 6

Autumn 2

Crime and Punishment

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English



Reading

Our class text for this half term is 'The Boy in the Tower' by Polly Ho-Yen. The story is about a lonely boy named Ade who is trapped in his London tower block with his reclusive mother as a strange plant takes over the city. The skills we will focus on learning are VIPERS (vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summarising).

Writing

This term, we will be learning to write a horror story, with a focus on adding dialogue between characters. We'll be watching two short films, Alma and Francis, alongside studying great examples to help us develop the most scary narrative we can. We will also be learning to write a discussion text based on a current topic.

Tier 2 vocabulary

Tier 2 vocabulary are words that are used in many situations and contexts. This term, your child will learn the meaning of the following words in some of these contexts:

approximate	aware	clause	consult	domestic	hence
hypothesis	inhibit	justify	method	outcome	proceed
react	require	sustain	vary		



Spellings

Practise your spellings at least 3 times per week on Spelling Shed.

Challenge Words

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
apparent	appreciate	attached	rhythm	rhyme	merciful
committee	communicate	community	system	occupy	plentiful
curiosity	definite	desperate	symbol	apply	beautiful
guarantee	exaggerate	excellent	mystery	hyphen	fearful
lightning	harass	hindrance	lyrics	hygiene	faithful
parliament	marvellous	mischievous	oxygen	python	boastful
recommend	persuade	physical	symptom	supply	doubtful
soldier	relevant	restaurant	typical	identify	thankful
vegetable	stomach	sufficient	crystal	multiply	pitiful
especially	vehicle	yacht	antonym	recycle	Fanciful

Practice Makes Perfect

STEM

Maths

This half term, we will focus on learning about how to add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers, how to multiply and divide fractions by an integer, how to simplify fractions and how to compare and order fractions. We will also be learning to covert units of measure. As always, times tables form the basis of so many other areas of Maths. Children should practise their times tables at least 3 times per week on Times Tables Rock Stars.
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Science

This term, we will be learning about animals including humans. We will focus on identifying and naming the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describing the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will investigate and recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way our bodies function.

Personal Development

Physical Education

This term, your child will be learning how to participate in, and play, netball games. They will also be learning and choreographing a dance to a piece of music. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit on the following days: Monday and Tuesday. PE kit includes a purple t-shirt, black shorts/jogging bottoms, trainers/plimsolls and a purple fleece. Earrings should be removed on PE days.

Computing

Pupils will be introduced to creating websites. They will identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website using Google Sites. Throughout the process, learners pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media.

Personal, Social and Health Education

This term, our PSHE learning will focus on the development of safe relationships with family and friends and following a series of lessons from NSPCC about their 'Stay Safe, Speak Out' campaign.

The Arts

DT

This term, we will focus on cooking and nutrition. We will be researching, planning, preparing and cooking bread, applying our knowledge of ingredients and technical skills.



Music

In Music this half term, children will be looking at Hip Hop music and creating their own pieces using technology. They will produce an appropriate beat, set the tempo, compose a bass line, add a melody, and select a sampled rap. We'll explore additional effects, creating interest and texture changes before finishing with mixing the track.

Humanities



History

In History, we will be learning about crime and punishment through different historical periods such as The Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Tudor times.

RE

In RE, we will look what kind of "King" Jesus is to those who have a Christian faith. Children will find out how the Gospels present Jesus' authority, explore examples of Jesus showing humility and love as well as this kingdom looks like for Christians today.

French

In French lessons this half term, pupils will be learning about the shopping experience in France. Pupils will learn to use colours to describe items of clothing, learn key phrases for asking questions and role-play going shopping in France using their newly acquired vocabulary.

Homework

Reading —at least 4 times per week. Write this in your planner.
Spelling Shed —at least 10 games per week.
Times Table Rockstars – at least 3 times per week.
MyMaths – Children log on and complete the set questions.

Optional tasks:
Create a healthy diet plan for a week and keep a healthy diet diary.
Use a Venn diagram to sort historic (old) crimes/punishments and modern (new) crimes/punishments. Which ones appear in both circles? For example, theft, prison…

Enrichment

Trips and Visitors
Please find a list of anticipated trips and visits to enrich your child's learning. These are not all finalised and will be dependent on availability nearer the time. We are acutely aware of the increasing financial pressures on families; therefore, we want to provide you with an overview of potential costs for the year. When trips are organised, you will be provided with a clear financial breakdown of the subsequent costs.

We have several trips and visitors scheduled for the year, as follows:
Autumn 1 – Art workshop at the Higgins Museum (no cost)
Autumn 2 – Bedfordshire Police talk on crime and punishment
Spring 1 – Bedford University (no cost)
Spring 2 – London Symphany Orchestra and Natural History Museum (Approx £25 per pupil) Date TBC
Summer 1 – Making Me transition visitors
Summer 2 – Athletics Track Sports Day (no cost) Residential (Approx £550 per pupil)