

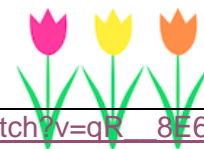


Dear Parents and Carers,

We have reached the half-way point in the year! This half term we have an exciting range of learning, focusing on writing and history.

Many parents have, in the past, requested links to the topic where they can support their child in the learning going on in school. These are purely optional.

	Curriculum covered this half-term	Optional suggestions for home-learning
English	<p>Reading: Retrieving vocabulary Inferring Predicting Summarising</p> <p>Spelling: Year 5 and 6 statutory words</p> <p>Writing: Planning and editing skills Poetry: We will start our half term by reading and studying The Highwayman poem, with an initial focus on spoken poetry. The children will dive deep into the poem, and eventually plan and write their own version.</p> <p>Biographies: As part of our history topic, we will be writing a biography about Walter Tull.</p> <p>Handwriting: To continue to work on joins and formation to write fluently.</p> <p>Grammar: Revise for SPAG test.</p>	<p>This half term, it would be wonderful if your child could engage with poetry and biographies at home, in addition to their usual reading.</p> <p>Here your child can find a range of poetry which is read aloud: Children's Poetry Archive - Listen to the world's best children's poetry read out loud.</p> <p>Many parents raised the issue of finding the right books to support each child. http://www.lovereading4schools.co.uk This website provides you with many ideas and book reviews. You may look through this with your child.</p> <p>Alternatives are to visit the local library, where the librarian is very helpful, or Muswell Hill Children's Bookshop who have a deep knowledge of current books.</p> <p>Did you know that the library also provides free e-books and audio books for children? eBooks, eAudiobooks and Newspapers Haringey Council</p> <p>In addition to handwriting, we would highly recommend Learn Touch Typing Free - TypingClub</p>
Maths	<p>Geometry: shape, position and movement. This will include finding angles in a triangle and along straight lines and then translating and mirroring on a grid.</p> <p>Children should be fluent in all their times tables so please rehearse at home using Times Tables Rockstars.</p> <p>We will also be revising arithmetic every day and begin targeted revision, focused on the results from our most recent practice test.</p>	<p>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button – a game for practising times tables, an essential aspect of year 6 maths.</p> <p>Angles in triangles: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z8twr2p#zbp7p9q</p> <p>Angles on a straight line: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WmNfXG30opl</p> <p>Translating shapes</p>



		<p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qK8E6KzTo&t=3s</p> <p>A Maths Dictionary for Kids by Jenny Eather Definitions Free Math Posters and Charts Maths Examples Math Words Math Glossary Math Terms </p>
Science	Electricity	<p>BBC KS2 Bitesize What is electricity? - BBC Bitesize</p> <p>This would be a great time to visit the Science Museum as they have lots of really interesting information on the history of electricity and how it works.</p> <p>Wonderlab: The Equinor Gallery Science Museum London Electrifying: The story of lighting our homes Science Museum</p>
Computing	<p>Programming We will be finishing our coding scheme where we have been looking at how variables can impact programmes and games, before moving on to creating media where we'll be investigating web page design and copyright laws.</p> <p>Online Safety: Self-image and identity</p>	<p>http://www.kidsmart.org.uk/</p> <p>Tetherdown School - E-Safety</p>
PE	<p>Athletics (All Year 6) Health and Fitness (Phoenix) Hockey (Griffins)</p>	
RE	<p>Christianity Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on earth? Theme: Easter</p>	
PSHE	<p>PSHE: Being Me in My World (Understanding the ambitions and needs we have, as well as those that others' have. Understanding that these ambitions and needs are not always met and considering why).</p>	<p>The children in Year 6 will be finding out about their secondary schools this half term and may be feeling some nervousness, anxiety or apprehension about the changes ahead. Please keep having conversations with your children about their ambitions and goals for the future, as well as discussing how they can anticipate and plan for what they might be worried about.</p> <p>If your child does not receive their first choice for secondary schools, please do get in touch and we will be happy to advise.</p>
Music	Sing Up: You to me are everything.	
History	In history this half term, we will be learning about Walter Tull, the first black officer in the British army and one of the first black professional football players.	



Mandarin	Shopping	
DT	Textiles Reusing, repurposing and recycling. This topic looks at how we can reuse and repurpose materials, transforming them into other, useful objects rather than throwing them away.	

P.E sessions are on Tuesdays and Fridays for both classes. Your child should come to school on these days in the Tetherdown P.E t-shirt and appropriate sportswear (not jeans). No jewelry, including watches, may be worn during P.E. and long hair must be tied back.

Home Learning is set on a Thursday and will just be on Teams this half term. It should be returned the following week on Tuesday using Microsoft Teams. Finally, please ensure that your child brings in a labelled water bottle and takes it home at the end of the day. Snacks should be fresh fruit or vegetables.

If you have any queries or concerns, please feel free to email admin@tetherdownschool.org who will pass on your message to the relevant teacher.

Thank you for your support,

Ms Jones (6P) and Mr Buckeridge (6G)