



### This Term...

#### Our new topic in Year 5 is “Beast Creator”

Arachnids, insects, molluscs and myriapods. Minibeasts come in all shapes and sizes!



This half term, we’ll handle a range of minibeasts and small creatures. Taking photographs, making notes and listening carefully to expert explanations will help us to understand how minibeasts move, what they eat and where they live.

Using what we’ve learned, we’ll write an interesting minibeast report. In science, we’ll learn how to categorise minibeasts and investigate woodlice habitats.

We’ll make detailed drawings of our minibeasts, present data about them and make maps to show the route of our minibeast hunt. Using wood, stones, garden canes and other natural materials, we’ll create ‘minibeast hotels’ and write adverts to attract minibeasts to stay in them. Minibeasts’ homes and their life cycles will amaze us.

At the end of the project, we’ll write fantasy stories about a minibeast’s adventures, make a fantastic fact file and create a 3-D minibeast using a range of materials.

#### Our new topic in Year 6 is “Maafa”

In the Maafa project, your child will learn about Africa today and the ancient kingdoms that thrived on the continent for thousands of years.

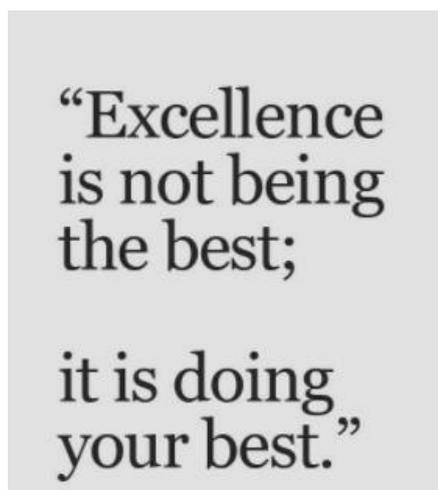
They will learn about the origins of the transatlantic slave trade in the 15th century. They will understand the structure of the transatlantic slave trade and the consequences of enslavement for enslaved people.

They will learn about the causes and consequences of the abolition of slavery in the 19th century, the worldwide African diaspora and the European colonisation in Africa. They will explore the lives and actions of black people in 20th century Britain. They will understand how the Race Relations Act of 1965 became the first piece of British legislation to tackle racial discrimination and know that the Equality Act 2010 provides people with protection against racism and other forms of discrimination, today.

They will also explore the lives of black people who have made significant contributions to Britain and will celebrate black culture in Britain today.



#### Thought of the term...



#### Dates for the diary:

- 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 – 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - Year 6 residential to Whitemoor Lakes
- 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 – Year 5/6 Sports day p.m (6<sup>th</sup> July if wet)
- 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022 – Bring a bottle Mufti day
- 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - Year 6 Transfer Day, Year 1-5 Transfer Afternoon
- 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - Year 6 Transfer Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - School Fete (3-5pm)
- 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 – Year 6 Leavers’ Prom 6p.m
- 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 – Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly 9.15a.m
- 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 - School closes for Summer break 3.00pm

#### Knowledge Organisers

Don’t forget to look at our Knowledge Organisers for key information about our new topics. Electronic copies will be on our school website.

#### Reminders

Reading - We encourage all parents/carers to read three times a week with their children at home to further develop their child’s reading skills. Please remember to record this in your child’s Reading Record. In Year 6 some of the more advanced books are from the Young Adult section.

TTRS – It is beneficial for all children to regularly play on TTRS at home to improve their recall of times tables and the related division facts.