



Dear Parents and Carers,  
I hope you all had a restful break.

We wanted to get in touch again and let you know our plans for the second part of the Spring half term. The Year 6 teachers and TA team are looking forward to another successful, exciting and busy half term.

If you would like to support your child's learning at home, we thought it would be helpful for you to have a more detailed idea of what we are learning about.

### **Maths**

Across all of the stages in Maths, the students will be learning about statistics and measure.

### **English**

In English this term, the students will be creating their own mythological stories, using descriptive language to develop thrilling plots, characters and settings, before introducing a flashback as a structural technique to develop their story writing.

### **SPAG**

Students will learn how and when to use passive and active voice in writing, and will recap formal and informal language from their earlier letter writing unit. They will also look at various layout devices (for example, headings, sub-headings, columns, bullets, or tables, to structure text.)

### **Geography**

In this unit - called Spatial Sense - students will look at longitude, latitude, the Prime Meridian, the tropics and the Antarctic and Arctic circle. They will explore the movement of the sun and how at the poles, polar night occurs. Students will

look at a wide range of maps during this unit, using and applying their geographical skills, such as map reading, using symbols, grid references etc. in many different contexts as they learn about places around the world.

### **Science**

During Spring term two, the Upper Juniors will be learning about fossil formation and conducting an investigation to develop skills around working scientifically, which will be taught by Miss Wade.

Mr Slater will be investigating the classification of rocks by their initial formation and their observable characteristics. The class will investigate the composition of soil to further draw on their practical science skills and their powers of observation.

### **Computing**

In their Computing lessons, students will be learning the basic features and functions of spreadsheets and how they can be used in many different contexts.

### **PSHE**

During Spring term two, the Upper Juniors will be learning about shared responsibility and community.

### **PE**

Students will be learning about target and striking and fielding games. These include throlf (throwing golf) and football cricket.

### **Art**

In art lessons this half term, we will be continuing with the same project on 'Portraits' using colour, line and tone. We will explore how Cubist artists, like Picasso, created portraits whilst developing our digital skills. We will then refine our ideas to design and create a final piece.

### **Drama**

Social skills and trust using games and Drama techniques.

## **Music**

In music this half term we are going to be exploring the music played during World War 2, looking closely at popular musicians of the time including Glen Miller and Vera Lynn.

As always, please do contact Ms Wade or Mr Slater if you would like any information supporting your child at home with learning:

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