

GORILLAS



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Gorillas are gentle; gorillas are strong.

Welcome back

Welcome to the second half of our Autumn Term. It is great to see all the children refreshed from their break, ready for another exciting half-term in Year 6.

Year 6 topic

This half term, we will continue to learn about life in World War II including some of the beliefs and ideas that different World War II leaders had. We will also learn about The Blitz, The Battle of Britain and food rationing during our topic lessons. Last half term, we had a fantastic trip to Bletchley Park to learn about other aspects of the war.



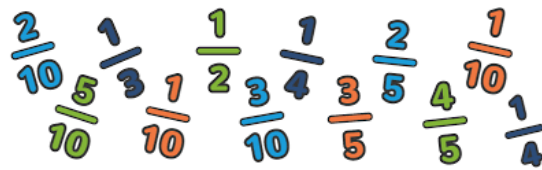
The Curriculum

English

In English, we have started this half-term by thinking about our descriptive writing. Throughout this half-term, we will be focusing on many of the Year 6 writing targets that pupils need to include in their independent writing. We will continue to use World War II as a stimulus for our writing: for example, we will be studying Anne Frank and writing diaries.

Maths

We have started this half-term by continuing with our work on fractions and decimals. We will then be moving on to measurements.



Elsewhere across the curriculum, we will be learning about 'Animals Including Humans' in Science lessons and doing some coding in Computing.

Taking responsibility

There are several things that Year 6 pupils can do to ensure they are taking responsibility, which in turn will help prepare them better for secondary school. Firstly, ensuring that book bags come into school every day with the correct books (home school record books and spelling record books). They can also make sure that they have the correct uniform for each day, bring their water bottle and hand in their homework on time.

P.E. kit

P.E. lessons will continue to take place every Monday and Wednesday. There will also be a P.E. option for Reward Time on a Friday. Always having the correct kit for P.E. is a small way in which pupils can take responsibility. Pupils should come to school P.E. ready on a Monday and Friday. **However, on a Wednesday, pupils must ensure they bring their P.E. kit to school, in their P.E. bag.**

Homework

As ever, homework will be given out on a Thursday and is to be returned to school by the following Tuesday at the latest. Pupils should take responsibility for ensuring they complete as much of their homework as possible independently and handing it in on time.



1 times table	2 times table	3 times table	4 times table
1 x 1 = 1	1 x 2 = 2	1 x 3 = 3	1 x 4 = 4
2 x 1 = 2	2 x 2 = 4	2 x 3 = 6	2 x 4 = 8
3 x 1 = 3	3 x 2 = 6	3 x 3 = 9	3 x 4 = 12
4 x 1 = 4	4 x 2 = 8	4 x 3 = 12	4 x 4 = 16
5 x 1 = 5	5 x 2 = 10	5 x 3 = 15	5 x 4 = 20
6 x 1 = 6	6 x 2 = 12	6 x 3 = 18	6 x 4 = 24
7 x 1 = 7	7 x 2 = 14	7 x 3 = 21	7 x 4 = 28
8 x 1 = 8	8 x 2 = 16	8 x 3 = 24	8 x 4 = 32
9 x 1 = 9	9 x 2 = 18	9 x 3 = 27	9 x 4 = 36
10 x 1 = 10	10 x 2 = 20	10 x 3 = 30	10 x 4 = 40
11 x 1 = 11	11 x 2 = 22	11 x 3 = 33	11 x 4 = 44
12 x 1 = 12	12 x 2 = 24	12 x 3 = 36	12 x 4 = 48

5 times table	6 times table	7 times table	8 times table
1 x 5 = 5	1 x 6 = 6	1 x 7 = 7	1 x 8 = 8
2 x 5 = 10	2 x 6 = 12	2 x 7 = 14	2 x 8 = 16
3 x 5 = 15	3 x 6 = 18	3 x 7 = 21	3 x 8 = 24
4 x 5 = 20	4 x 6 = 24	4 x 7 = 28	4 x 8 = 32
5 x 5 = 25	5 x 6 = 30	5 x 7 = 35	5 x 8 = 40
6 x 5 = 30	6 x 6 = 36	6 x 7 = 42	6 x 8 = 48
7 x 5 = 35	7 x 6 = 42	7 x 7 = 49	7 x 8 = 56
8 x 5 = 40	8 x 6 = 48	8 x 7 = 56	8 x 8 = 64
9 x 5 = 45	9 x 6 = 54	9 x 7 = 63	9 x 8 = 72
10 x 5 = 50	10 x 6 = 60	10 x 7 = 70	10 x 8 = 80
11 x 5 = 55	11 x 6 = 66	11 x 7 = 77	11 x 8 = 88
12 x 5 = 60	12 x 6 = 72	12 x 7 = 84	12 x 8 = 96

9 times table	10 times table	11 times table	12 times table
1 x 9 = 9	1 x 10 = 10	1 x 11 = 11	1 x 12 = 12
2 x 9 = 18	2 x 10 = 20	2 x 11 = 22	2 x 12 = 24
3 x 9 = 27	3 x 10 = 30	3 x 11 = 33	3 x 12 = 36
4 x 9 = 36	4 x 10 = 40	4 x 11 = 44	4 x 12 = 48
5 x 9 = 45	5 x 10 = 50	5 x 11 = 55	5 x 12 = 60
6 x 9 = 54	6 x 10 = 60	6 x 11 = 66	6 x 12 = 72
7 x 9 = 63	7 x 10 = 70	7 x 11 = 77	7 x 12 = 84
8 x 9 = 72	8 x 10 = 80	8 x 11 = 88	8 x 12 = 96
9 x 9 = 81	9 x 10 = 90	9 x 11 = 99	9 x 12 = 108
10 x 9 = 90	10 x 10 = 100	10 x 11 = 110	10 x 12 = 120
11 x 9 = 99	11 x 10 = 110	11 x 11 = 121	11 x 12 = 132
12 x 9 = 108	12 x 10 = 120	12 x 11 = 132	12 x 12 = 144

Spellings and Times Tables

Spellings will be set on a Tuesday ready for a spelling test the following Tuesday. Pupils should be learning these spellings at home, ready for the weekly spelling test. Furthermore, pupils should be practising their times tables at home to help them to become more confident in other areas of Maths. Spelling practice and times table practice should be completed in addition to the homework that has been set.

If you are in any doubt about the homework set, please speak to a member of the Year 6 team before it is due in.

Kind regards,

Mr Cunningham & the Year 6 Team