



# Curriculum News

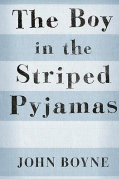
## Autumn 2 - Year 6

### Literacy:

This term we are reading *The Boy In The Striped Pyjamas* by John Boyne.

We will be writing diary entries, persuasive letters and character descriptions. At the end of the unit, we will be planning and writing our own ending to the book.

Throughout the term, we will be learning different sentence types. We will also be improving our editing skills.



### Numeracy:

This term we will be learning how to:

- Multiply numbers with 2 decimal places
- Read, write and convert units of measure including converting between miles and kilometres
- Draw 2D shapes using given dimensions and angles
- Compare and classify shapes using their properties
- Identify parts of a circle including radius, diameter and circumference
- Calculate the area of different shapes including parallelograms

### Reading:

This term we are learning how to precisely answer questions about a text. We will also be learning how to work out the meaning of a word using root words and etymology.

We would like to remind you of the importance of your child reading at home every day for at least 20 minutes. Please ensure that they read a range of genres, including the newspaper, recipes, instructions and articles on the internet.

Our topic for this term is World War 2. We will learn about the main events during World War 2 and place them on a timeline. We will learn how to use historical sources to find about the past.

In Science we are learning about electricity. We will be making simple circuits and learning how to include switches. We will learn about electrical safety. We will then start a project designing and making festive lights. As part of this project we will learn how to use the correct symbols to draw a circuit.

In P.E this term we will be learning gymnastic skills. We will also think about what we need to do to keep ourselves safe.

In PSHCE we will be focussing on Mindfulness. We will be completing a project called Paws B which will help us to understand how our brains work and how to stay focussed.

In Computing we are learning how to use programming to create our own games using Scratch. If you want to explore this at home you can go to the Scratch website and sign up for your own account. <https://scratch.mit.edu/>

### Diary Dates

**Class Visits to Waterstones**  
31st October - 4th November

**Art Gallery Visits**  
2nd November

**Year 1 Classes – Science Museum Trip**  
14<sup>th</sup> November

**Year 4 Classes - London Eye Trip**  
18th November

**Anti-Bullying Week**  
14<sup>th</sup> November – 18<sup>th</sup> November

#### Seasonal Assemblies

Mon 12th Dec - EYFS - 2.15pm

Tues 13th Dec - Years 1, 2 & 3 - 2.15pm

Wed 14th Dec - Years 4, 5 & 6 - 2.15pm

### Homework:

Homework will include spellings, sentence structure practice, learning times tables and occasionally projects.

If you would like your child to complete more revision, you could buy them a revision guide suitable for Key Stage 2, based on the National Curriculum published in 2014.

Another way to support your child's learning is to take them to a museum to learn more about our topics. The Science Museum and Imperial War Museum are both free and great fun!