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New City Primary School Year group: 6 Autumn Term 2023

Welcome back to school. This term we are doing some very interesting and exciting things. We are keen to encourage parents and carers to help in their child's learning at home and as such we are providing you with this overview of what we shall be teaching at school. We also value any resources that you can contribute related to any of our topics. We also ask you to help us by making sure that all homework is completed. If you have any queries please feel free to have a chat with us.

English	Maths	Science
Year 6 will be looking at the authors: Sharna Jackson, Phil Earle and Jason Reynolds throughout the year. In English, the children will be learning how to create a biography, narratives and arguments. Using the style of Michael Morpurgo, the children will create different narratives and describe settings from his novels. Using persuasive language, the children will be creating arguments for a targeted audience to agree to their viewpoint. They will be taught how to use a range of punctuation to develop their sentence structures. In addition, they will be reading a range of texts to develop their inference, deduction and understanding of an author's use of language.	In maths, the children will be using their place value skills to order numbers up to ten million. They will also be learning about identifying equivalent fractions, percentages and decimals. Using their knowledge of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division they will develop their arithmetic and problem-solving skills. Furthermore, the children will be learning about the properties and learn to classify 2D and 3D shapes. Also, they will learn about angles, how to draw and measure them and work out how to identify the value of unknown angles.	In science, the children will be exploring the topic 'Evolution and Inheritance'. This will involve looking at how species have changed over time in accordance with Charles Darwin's 'theory of evolution'. Also, the children will learn about the circulatory system and enhance their understanding of the impact of diet, drugs and alcohol. They will also learn about the importance of a healthy diet and exercise.
History & Geography	Religious Education	Art & DT
In history, the children will learn about 'The Mayans.' They will explore how they lived using a range of sources and investigate the ways in which they influenced the world. During geography lessons, the children will be learning about the Mediterranean. The pupils will explore a variety of human and physical features found in the Mediterranean countries as well as learning about natural resources, trade, culture and language within that geographic area.	In RE, the children will be exploring the topic, 'Life after death'. They will learn about how different religions interpret life after death as well as how their ceremonies of death differ. They will also look at how individuals without a religion commemorate death. After the half-term break, the children will learn the importance of celebrations. They will compare celebrations and critically evaluate the impact of celebrations locally and around the world.	In DT, the children will learn about food from around the world and have an opportunity to learn about different ingredients and then create a range of different dishes. In art, the children will learn how to do observational drawings and create sculptures of sea creatures which we will be displaying in the upstairs hall. We will also be exploring mixed media large scale drawings, paintings and life-sized sculptures for our class room displays.
Computing	PSHE	Mandarin
In computing, the children will learn about internet communication and how it can be used to communicate, search and find new information. They will learn efficient methods of working collaboratively. In their creating media unit, the children will design and create their own webpages, considering copyright, aesthetics and navigation.	In PSHE, the children will discuss how and why our society protects individuals regardless of difference (including disability, race, gender, sexual orientation, religion). They will consider how individuals, including children, can play a role in impacting their local, national and global communities and promote change. The children will discuss and consider different career options of their future and explore their pathways. Also, they will learn about the identities of others in our national community, and to be respectful regarding differences and the rights of others to express themselves. They will consider the differences between private and public identities and how an online reputation can impact their life.	In Mandarin, the children will be studying Chinese culture and beliefs and compare these to their own. Also, the children will learn about everyday items people buy, by learning about Chinese currency. They will build on their knowledge of number recognition and recitation.
PE	Music	Homework
In P.E, the children will compose sequences using a variety of apparatus incorporating elements such as twists, turns, flight, change of direction, speed and level, contrasting shapes and balances. In dance, the children will focus on creating and performing short dances that communicate different moods, feelings and ideas. During their invasion games activities, the children will develop their skills and tactical awareness to outwit the opposition and will transfer these skills to hockey. In Box Fit, the children will develop their stamina, hand-eye coordination and overall fitness.	In music, the children will be learning to play a brass instrument this term, focussing on dynamics and improvisation.	Each day children are expected to do some homework. Spellings and writing should be recorded in your child's homework book. Books will be changed regularly by the children. Please use the homework book to record any concerns or comments. The homework schedule is as follows: Monday: Spelling Tuesday: Comprehension Wednesday: Maths Thursday: Athletics & TTRockstars Friday: Long Writing
	Educational Visits	
	The children will take part in an IntoUni project for one whole week linked with theme of engineering. This visit will be off-site for the whole week. We will be organising other trips in the coming term and will inform you of dates and venues when they have been confirmed.	

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