Classroom News | Summer, 2024

# SUMMER 2 TERM IN HAWTHORN

#### **MACBETH PRODUCTION**

We are delighted to announce that this term Year Six (and friends) will be putting on a school production of Shakespeare's Macbeth, adapted by Neil Richards. .

A brilliantly accessible version, this intriguing and dramatic story includes murder, deceit and gore; and follows on well from our Spring Term topic work on the play.

As you will appreciate, preparing and delivering such a production takes a lot of time and resources so your support with learning lines, as well as help with props and costumes, will be gratefully received.

Performances will be between 15 and 19th July, dates and times to follow.



## **MATHS**

Power Maths continues apace this term as we complete the scheme. With a focus on geometry, positioning and movement, and negative numbers, there is still plenty to do before they leave for KS3. We will also continue to work on core skills in preparation for the transition to secondary.

#### READING

In our class reading we have moved on to Robert Swindell's 'Room 13' - a horror story aimed at Key Stage 2 children.

We will continue to experience a wide range of reading genre with a weekly extract to be interrogated and explored.

## **WRITING**

In writing we will continue to explore a series of short-writes in different genre, to give children the opportunity to show-off their writing talent, and identify those they most enjoy.

We are trying to make this as child-led as possible so please encourage your children to come forward with suggestions.

# SCIENCE

In science we will be looking at the fantastic phenomenon that is light. We will answer a range of scientific questions: What is light? Does it really travel in straight lines? How can we change its direction?

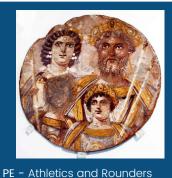


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#### History

In history we will be studying an important topic recognising and celebrating the contributions of Black Britons to the development and success of British society. It is a common misconception that those with African heritage have only been in Britain for the last few hundred years, a result of the slave trade. In fact the role and contributions of Black people to British society goes back so much further than that, with notable examples as far back as Roman times. This myth-busting unit will allow us to explore British history over 2000 years, and the much over-looked contributions of BAME people to it.



RE - Who am I and Where do I belong? Computing - Programming Micro-bits PSHE - How am I changing? French - How can I speak about the world I live in?

#### RE

'Who am I and where do I belong?' is the key question for Summer 2.

Supporting the transition secondary school, we will look at our own beliefs, feelings and values and how we express them.

Going further we will explore what we have in common with people of different faiths, thinking about what unites us, and how we differ in our values and the way we express them.

#### **PSHE**

In PSHE we will continue to consider the question 'How am I changing?' with a focus on their growing responsibilities for the own safety, well-being and hygiene.

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 3rd June

Open Classroom - 2:45pm

Tuesday 4th June

Year 6 Rodborough Parent Meeting

Thursday 6th June

River Wey Field Trip

Friday 14th June

Own clothes day for summer fair

Saturday 15th June

FOSMAS Summer Fair

Week Commencing 17th June

Bikeability Level 2 (spaces still available)

Wednesday 19th June

Guildford Diocese leavers' service

Wednesday 19th June

Sports Afternoon

Monday 1st July

Open Classroom - 2:45pm

Monday 3rd July

Bump up day

Week commencing 15th July

Macbeth production - times TBC

Thursday 18th July

Year 6 Leavers' Service - St Mark's Church

Monday 22nd June

Year 6 Leavers' Pizza Party

**Tuesday 23rd July** 

Last day of term. 1.15pm closure.

#### **END OF KEY STAGE ASSESSMENTS 2024**

Just a quick note to say how proud we were of the children during this year's assessment. Every single child showed resilience, determination and fortitude, and successfully completed all the papers. They handled themselves with poise, maturity and dignity in the face of nerves and challenge and deserve a well-earned rest/treat over half term.

The results will be shared with you once we receive them in July. However, in our eyes they have all been hugely successful in the way they conducted themselves and overcame challenge and should be very proud of themselves, whatever the outcome.

#### STOP PRESS

We are delighted to be in a position to announce that EIKON, a local charity supporting health and well-being in young people, will be visiting the school to run 6 secondary school transition sessions in June and July.

The group workshops will be made available to all Year 6 learners across Autumn 2 and will supplement existing school provisions for transition.

More information can be found

https://eikon.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/FAMILIES-

summer-transitions-project-2022-3.pdf







#### **BIKEABILITY 2024**

There remain spaces on the 2024 Bikeability course despite the fact the online portal has now closed. If you would like your child to attend this important 'life lesson' course please contact Mr Bott immediately and we can get you on it. We have a number of bikes and helmets should your child need them.