



## Mersey Park Half Term Overview

### Autumn 2

### Year 6



#### **Writing**

In our literacy lessons we will be watching 'Before Sunrise' and using this as our stimulus for writing character and setting descriptions. We will draft and edit our writing. We will extend the range of sentences types used in our writing.

We will also write with the audience in mind. Some writing pieces will be formal, and others will be informal.

In our writing, we will include semi-colons when appropriate.



#### **Reading and Spelling**

In our reading we will be focussing on explaining the meaning of words in context and identifying how meaning is enhanced through choice of words and phrases.

We will also be working on VIPERS (Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequencing) in our reading sessions.



#### **Maths**

In our maths lessons we will be adding and subtracting numbers to 1000000. We will also be multiplying and dividing numbers using formal grid method.

We will be further developing our understanding of fractions. We will recognise equivalent fractions and how to simplify fractions. We will convert fractions into improper and mixed number fractions and then place these on a number line. We will also learn how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions.

It is important we continue to improve our rapid recall of times tables.

#### **Topic**

Our topic this half term is 'Water' and has a historical slant.

The children will explore Liverpool's links with the Titanic and the events surrounding the development and, ultimately, the sinking of this great vessel.

They will compare modern day Liverpool with Liverpool in the past, including exploring Liverpool during World War Two.

The children will look at propaganda and how it has been used to influence people's views and opinions.

#### **Science**

In science we will be learning all about Electricity. We will use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram. We will associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit. We will compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches.



#### **Mersey Park Life Skills**

To help our Year Six children develop as well rounded people who are ready for the world around them, we will also be teaching our children life skills and this half term we will be focusing on good role models for behaviour in sport and discuss how not all sports people demonstrate good sportsmanship. We will also look at conflict resolution. We will also be celebrating differences as part of our Jigsaw work.

We will look at what makes each of us unique and be proud of who we are.

