



## Mersey Park Half Term Overview



### Spring 2

### Year 6

#### Writing

In our literacy lessons we will be studying our class novel Skellig. We will be writing our own version of a chapter using Talk 4 Writing. We will also be writing a newspaper report about a key event in the story, including all the relevant features.

We will 'pinch' ideas from our reading, for example using of long and short sentences for effect and include a variety of sentence types in our writing.



#### Reading and Spelling

In our reading we will be continuing to work on VIPERS (Vocabulary, Inference, Predication, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequencing) in our reading sessions.

We will also be working hard to improve our written answers to questions based on a text.

In spellings, we will continue to learn how to spell the words on the Year Five and Six spelling list.



#### Maths

In our maths lessons we will be covering:

Measurement – converting units of measure

Measurement – perimeter, area and volume

Number – scale factors and ratio

Statistics – pie charts, line graphs and finding the mean.

How many kilometres in 4800 metres?

We know the metres a

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cm	x 100 ÷
m	x 1000 ÷
km	

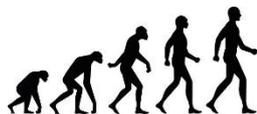
#### Topic

Our topic this half term is 'Ancient Egyptians'. We will be making a timeline of events and link to other historical periods. We will learn about hieroglyphs and how important the Rosetta Stone was in translating hieroglyphs.

We will learn about the construction of the pyramids tombs, the importance of the Afterlife and the Ancient Egyptian gods. We will be able to locate Egypt on World Map and then locate key places within Egypt. We will investigate the importance of the River Nile, and link this to our previous topic 'Water'. We will discover what everyday life was like for Ancient Egyptians.

#### Science

In science we will be learning all about Evolution and Inheritance. We will investigate how living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. We will explore the principal of inheritance, recognising that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but that normally such offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. We will research how plants and animals are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and they have identified some beneficial adaptations that may lead to evolution.



#### 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 leaning about healthy lifestyles in our 'Healthy Me' Jigsaw topic. We will discuss what 'being healthy' means and look at how we can look after our physical and mental health.

