



Mersey Park Half Term Overview

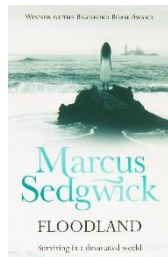
Autumn 1

Year 6



Writing

In our literacy lessons we will be writing a descriptive narrative based on the clip 'Before Sunrise'. The children will also be writing a balanced argument about whether zoos are ethical. Also, we will be enjoying reading 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick as our class novel and discussing the themes introduced.



Reading and Spelling

We will be completing our daily VIPERS sessions using extracts of different fiction and non-fiction texts and answering questions on them.

In our spelling sessions, we will be practicing our Year 3 and 4 national curriculum words. We will have weekly spelling tests with 20 words per week to learn.



Maths

In our maths lessons we will be looking at place value. We will be investigating the value of numbers up to 10 million and down to 3 decimal places. We will then be studying the four number operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will be using those methods to help us progress with arithmetic questions and subsequently applying them to reasoning questions.



Topic

As Geographers we will be looking at the location of Egypt on a world map, comparing the physical and human features to England and using 6-figure grid references to plot co-ordinates on a map. As historians we will be investigating significant achievements and events during the Egyptian period and plotting a timeline to determine where they fit in our history and who they might have come into contact with.

Key Vocabulary: archaeology, pharaoh, mummification, hieroglyph, papyrus



Science

In science we will be learning all about Light. We will look at different sources of light, natural and artificial we will be finding different examples of both.

We will be working scientifically to prove that light travels in straight lines which will then help us to learn how we see things.

We will also be exploring shadows, we will investigate how they are made and how to change the shape and size of them.

Key Vocabulary: reflection, refraction, transparent, incident ray, shadow.

Mersey Park Life Skills

To help our Year Six children develop as well rounded little 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 healthy eating.

We will also be looking at 'Being Me in My World' as part of our jigsaw work. We will be teaching this through our Jigsaw topic where we will focus on what makes us special and all the people we have around us who love us and care for us.

