



## YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2024



### Staff

**Miss Cross- Class Teacher**

**Mrs Giddins—Teaching Assistant**

**Miss Smith - Teacher**

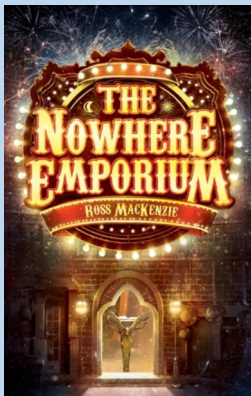
Thursday afternoon

**Mrs Slattery—Teacher**

Wednesday afternoon

### Class Novel

The Nowhere Emporium by  
Ross Mackenzie



Happy New Year and welcome back to Year 6! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break and are feeling refreshed and ready to go. We continue to build on our learning in mathematics while introducing some new areas such as position and direction and measure. The Nowhere Emporium, our new class novel, is always a firm favourite and I am sure the children will enjoy the work we will do in English linking to this text. We also have some interesting units of work planned across the wider curriculum, such as the heart and circulatory system in science, the local area in geography, quizzing in computing and gymnastics! Please continue to encourage your child to try their best and work hard. We want the children to take ownership of their learning and continue to develop a growth mind-set. It is also important that the children develop more independence and take care be more organised with their belongings. You will also be pleased to know that we have a range of exciting extracurricular activities planned for this term. These activities will allow students to explore new interests, nurture talents, and develop their social skills. Check out the key dates below and please check the weekly newsletter for more information on these. We strongly encourage all children to get involved and make the most of these opportunities. Thank you for taking the time to read our class newsletter and we look forward to a great term ahead!

### READING

Reading is still a huge priority in Year 6. We read during TRIC, guided reading groups, whole class English lessons, comprehension groups and 1:1 reading with an adult. It is important that your child continues to read daily for a sustained period of time at home too. This could be their school reading book or a library book. The children are still building their fluency, expression, understanding of vocabulary and inference skills, so please ask your child questions about what they have read, even if they are reading independently. Reading diaries should be in school every day so teaching staff can write in when your child reads at school. Please write in or encourage your child to write in when and what they have read at home and please sign this weekly so we can celebrate their efforts.

### HOME LEARNING

**Mathletics and SPAG.com**— activities set weekly each Wednesday.

This either links to the learning in class or a recap from previous learning. Please help support your children by making this part of your home routine.

**Spellings** - will be set weekly each Wednesday supporting the learning in class. Please practise these at home.



## MATHS

Measure  
Position and Direction  
Decimals  
Fractions, Decimals and Percentages  
Perimeter, Area and Volume  
Statistics



## SCIENCE

Light  
The Circulatory System  
Diet, Drugs and Lifestyle

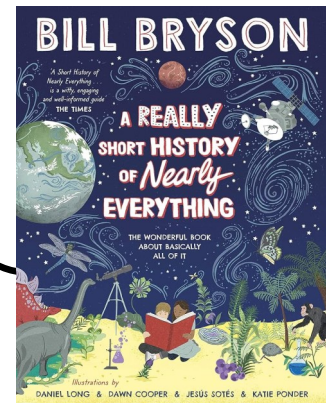
## ENGLISH

**Explanation Texts**

**Novel as a theme** (shorting writing opps – descriptive writing/diary/additional chapter)

**Biographies**

**Information Leaflet** (science/pshe links)



## LEARNING



## PE

Gymnastics  
Striking and Fielding Games



## Computing

Online Safety  
Networks (purple mash 6.6)  
Quizzing (purple mash 6.7)

## MUSIC

You've Got a Friend in Me (Charanga)



## RE

The Eucharist/The Exodus  
Easter: Who was Jesus?

## PSHE

Growing and Changing  
Keeping Safe  
Rights and Respect

## ART

### PRINTING

Monoprints of The boy, the Fox, the Horse and the Mole

**Artist Focus: Illustrator Charlie Mackesey**

**Mother's Day Cards and Easter Cards**

## FRENCH

Saying what I and others do - Infinitive – er verbs  
Saying how many and describing things - Singular possessive adjectives



## TEXTILES

Blood bags

**Artist Focus: Leigh Bowser**

*Link to science*

## Geography

Local Area and Region



## PE Days

**Tuesday and Friday.**  
Please attend school in **full**  
PE kit.

### Year 6 key diary dates:

Clubs Start– Mon 22nd Jan

Multicultural Book Day– Fri 26th  
Jan

Harry Potter Book Night—Tues  
30th Jan 5-7pm

Children's Mental Health Week -  
Mon 5th—Fri 9th Feb

Half Term 9th—19th Feb

Parent Evenings 27th and 28th Feb  
3.30-6.30pm

World Book Day - Thurs 7th March

Height and Weight Check—Wed  
13th March

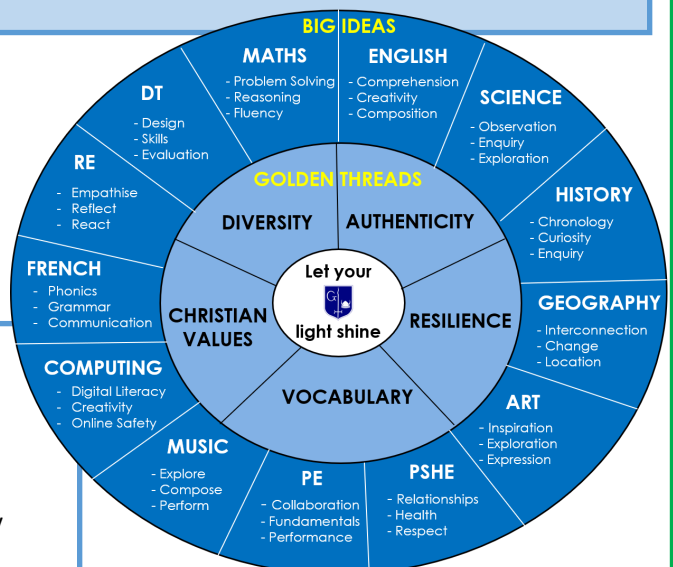
Clubs finish - Fri 15th March

### Uniform

As a school we are constantly ensuring high standards across school life. One of the areas that we are keen to focus on is school uniform. It is really important for children to wear the correct uniform; especially school shoes not trainers and no earrings or extreme hair styles. Please ensure PE track-suit trousers are navy blue. Please see our website for more details: <https://www.grimsargh-stmichaels.lancs.sch.uk/policies/>

### Our School Curriculum

Our school website has lots of information about the intent of our school curriculum. These include our golden threads and big ideas. As the term progresses, we will be referring more and more to these within our classroom. The children will become more aware of the terminology 'big ideas' and 'golden threads' so I felt it was important to share our school curriculum with you, once again, so you can engage in conversation with your children about these.



Please also take note of the diary dates on the weekly school newsletter as we are always adding events!

### Contact Information:

Please either call the school office (01772 653600) or use the office e-mail address [office@grimsargh-st-michaels.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:office@grimsargh-st-michaels.lancs.sch.uk). The office staff will then either forward your email or will take a message. I will then contact you at my earliest convenience. Many thanks, Miss Cross

We are always looking for anyone to support our learning. If you have a keen interest or experience in any of our areas of learning this term, please let me know and I can incorporate a visit or any information you may have.

Please keep your eye on social media platforms, school website and Teachers2Parents for information and photos that support and showcase the learning across school.

### SOCIAL MEDIA



Instagram

'grimsarghstmichaels'  
on Instagram



'Grimsargh St Michael's C of E  
Primary School' on Facebook.