



Sir Thomas Abney
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 6

Apple and Walnut

Autumn Term 2017

2nd Half

Staff in Class

**Cathy McKenzie & Kathryn
Edwards (Class Teachers)**

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(Teaching Assistants)**

Literacy

We will be finishing our wonderful book, Rooftoppers, and celebrating with our Parkour workshop. Children will be writing a final newspaper report based on the book as well as a recount of the workshop. We will then be starting our new book, Goodnight Mr Tom, set in World War 11.

Writing is closely linked to our Power of Reading text and work is celebrated through shared reading, displays and by choosing our, 'Writer of the Week'. Reading for at least half an hour every night is essential. Grammar will continue to be taught in preparation for SATs along with weekly spellings.

Numeracy

We started this half term by practising long division and, depending on the problem, showing remainders as fractions or as decimals. We have now begun a unit focusing on problem –solving, which practices the use of the 4 operations, but also introduces children to rules about the order of operations (BODMAS). It goes on to look at problems involving algebra and algebraic expressions. Children start to solve equations involving 2 unknowns. Following that we will be revising fractions and decimal fractions. Children are encouraged to learn their times tables for weekly challenges and to practice skills that they have learn on our Mathletics site.

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How being in a community helps Buddhists follow the Buddha's teachings

Key Routines

Monday: PE

Tuesday: Music

Thursday: Homework brought back

Friday: PE, Spelling test and homework given out.

Key Dates

Tue 7th Nov – Parkour workshop in school

Fri 10th Nov – 6 Walnut Class Assembly at 10.45am

Mon 13th Nov – TRIP – 6 Apple – London Ecology Centre – STEM Workshop

Tue 14th Nov – Parents Open Afternoon 3.30-7pm

Wed 15th Nov – Individual Photographs

Thu 16th Nov – TRIP – 6 Walnut – Hackney Museum – BHM Workshop

Thu 16th Nov – Parents Open Afternoon 3.30-6pm

Fri 17th Nov – Children in Need Non-Uniform Day

Fri 17th Nov – TRIP – 6 Walnut – Grant Museum – STEM Workshop

Thu 23rd Nov – TRIP – 6 Apple – Hackney Museum – BHM Workshop

Fri 24th Nov – 6 Apple Class Assembly at 10.45am

Tue 12th Dec – Christmas Lunch

Fri 15th Dec – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Thu 21st Dec – End of Term Class Parties – afternoon

Homework

Each child has received a SATs question book for maths and SPAG this will be the basis of their weekly homework along with spellings for a weekly test.

In addition children should be reading for at least 30minutes every evening.

How you can help your child at home?

Read with your child. Check homework is completed to a high standard. Practise spellings and times tables Work on children's handwriting at home.

In International, we'll be finding out:

- What different people think about using animals in the circus
- What the circus of the future might look like

In Technology, we'll be finding out:

- How to make our own compost bin

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In Science, we'll be finding out:

- How and why living things are classified
- How a vertebrate and an invertebrate are different
- How to classify local plants and animals
- About the effects of food chains in our locality
- About friendly and unfriendly micro-organisms
- How fungi are different from plants and animals
- Why composting is good for the environment