



# Westleigh Methodist Primary School – Year 6 Spring Highlights



**With God, all things are possible – Matthew 19:26**

**Love Teamwork Thankfulness Generosity Peace Forgiveness Equality Justice**

What a fantastic spring term we have had together learning and growing realising 'With God, all things are possible'.

## English

In English, we have thoroughly enjoyed reading '*Great expectations*' and '*Room 13*'. We have used our book as a hooks to guide our English and created our own diary entries, setting descriptions and wanted posters. We have been writing our own recounts in '*Room 13*' building on our understanding of fronted adverbials, parenthesis and contractions, whilst striving to build a consistent approach to our handwriting and presentation. In reading our latest book, '*Room 13*', we have also created some fantastic narratives continuing a chapter and wrote some extremely persuasive leaflets to the encourage tourists to visit the Crow's Nest Hotel. We've also taken part in a live author lesson with Elle McNicoll and learnt what it takes to become a published author.



## Mathematics

In Maths this past term, we have been working on our understanding of statistics and coordinates and can identify missing coordinates in all four quadrants. We have built on our understanding of arithmetic and number sense to ensure our fluency continues to improve. We have also learnt to solve problems with fractions, and all have shown good progress throughout the topic. We have overcome our fear of fractions and can now confidently add and subtract them with mixed numbers, as well as multiply and divide them. We have also studied angles and how to identify missing angles in shapes.

## RE

In RE, we have enjoyed learning about faith communities are represented in the UK and what different faiths do to raise money for charity. We have also looked at the value of commitment within Christianity and investigated further how we show commitment in our everyday lives. As part of the Methodist unit, commitment, we have also studied how art plays a role in religion and how an artist's representation can share meaning.



## Science



In science, we learnt about electricity and how it travels from the source to our homes. We investigated how to make bulbs brighter and buzzers louder by adding more cells to a circuit. We have also been learning about light and how rays travel in straight lines, how reflection helps us to see images and how light bends due to refraction. We also took part in a live lesson with Tim Peake to understand how astronauts live in space, linking to our learning done in year 5 on space.

## Art and Design

In art, we have researched the artists Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein. We have created our own pop art and some detailed representations of varying colour, and texture.



## Computing

We created our own blogs using Purple Mash, linking to our study done on North America. We created our own information texts on North American landmarks and blogs about what we have learnt.

## Geography

In Geography, we have been studying North America. We have looked at what states make up the country and then delved deeper into how the biomes and climates zones differ so widely due to the size of the country. We have also explored comparisons between North America and the UK and identified why these vary so much. This unit has also taught us about the physical features across this landscape, such as mountains and rivers, and again why this varies so much from the UK. We then moved on to the human features and famous landmarks and produced double-page spreads comparing these.

## PE



In PE, we have been exploring tag rugby and interpretive dance. We learnt how to defend and attack as well as what it means to be part of a team in tag rugby. We then explored how interpretive dance can demonstrate our feelings and emotions and worked together to create sequences to demonstrate different scenarios.