

Topic

In History, we will be learning about the importance and impact of the Industrial Revolution. Through this topic the children will continue to develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British history. They will look at the local areas that played an important part in this and learn how this was a significant turning point in British history. This will lead into looking at the geography of the local area and how it has changed over time. Art will also look at the changing landscape, and in Design Technology we will investigate how bridges are made stronger. The children will also continue to learn Spanish throughout the course of the term. PSHE will focus on making a good start to this new school year, getting on with everyone, dealing with feelings and continuing to work on understanding how to stay safe online.



English

This term we will be reading texts including Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo (the book the children were given to read for themselves at the end of Year 5) and, connecting with our history work exploring the Victorian Era, we will be exploring 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. As we work our way through the book, we will be empathising with the characters and exploring the themes raised including poverty, charity, well-being and basic rights for children. Throughout the term we will develop our skills for writing in order to produce high-quality outcomes in Extended Writing.



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Newsletter – Autumn Term 2026

Year 6

Welcome to the Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter. This is a summary of the learning planned for the Autumn Term.

If you have any concerns about your child's learning please contact Mrs McLean directly, in the first instance.

Science

This term we will be starting our learning with Evolution and Inheritance where we will explore evidence and consider how living things have changed over time. We will then move on to Classification of Living Things. This will involve looking at groupings for all living things and what characteristics organisms have in common.



Maths

Key topics for this term are place value with numbers up to 10,000,000, and the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, with links made to related areas for reasoning skills. During the term, we will consolidate our calculation skills and develop our understanding of key areas of the curriculum. Weekly arithmetic lessons, timed tests and daily Fluent in 5 sessions will continue to secure these skills. It is extremely important to learn times tables by heart, since this will help in all areas of the mathematics curriculum. Please continue to support us in doing this.

RE

Our first big question is 'Creation and Cosmology- Conflicting or Complementary?' The children will be considering the story of Creation in Genesis and the debate between different accounts of how our world developed. The second big question is 'Was Jesus the Messiah?' We will investigate what the Jews were hoping for and why Christians believe Jesus is the Messiah.

PE

PE lessons will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays. Children are expected to come to school in their PE kit on these days with appropriate footwear. The children will cover two aspects of PE this term: athletics and orienteering.



Computing

Computing will focus on using online tools safely in the first half of term before we move on to learning about AI in the second half term. We will also be recapping on and reminding rules for online safety throughout the term.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 22nd September- House Elections
Tuesday 29th September- St Michael's Day Service
Friday 2nd October- Forest School Y6
Friday 23rd October- Harvest Service (led by Y5 & 6)
Wednesday 18th November- Eucharist Y6
Monday 23rd November- Y6 Assessment Week

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