

Maths

This term in Maths, we will be developing children's understanding of subtraction across 10, numbers to 1,000 and right angles. Children will practise subtracting across multiples of 10 using practical resources, visual representations and written methods, while developing their confidence with numbers up to 1,000 by exploring place value, comparing and ordering numbers, and solving calculations and problems. We will also be learning about right angles, recognising them in shapes and everyday objects, and exploring turns and angles that are smaller or larger than a right angle. Throughout our learning, children will be encouraged to explain their reasoning, use mathematical vocabulary and apply their skills to problem-solving activities.

English

Over this term, we will be focusing on a range of fiction and non-fiction texts all inspired by our topic areas including The Stone Age and Floella Benjamin. We will be building up our writing stamina this term with a focus on independent writing. Through our writing lessons we will be focusing on the use of punctuation marks, extended-noun phrases and conjunctions.

We will also be exploring a range of different texts to support our reading fluency and pace. We will be focusing on inference and developing the children's ability to read between the lines. We will be using evidence from the text to support our reasoning and answers as well as strengthening our retrieval skills. Please continue to encourage your child to read as much as possible. Your support is always really appreciated.

PE: Our focus in PE will continue to focus on sportsmanship. We will praise children who play cooperatively, support others and celebrate their teammates' successes. Alongside this, children will continue to develop key skills including coordination, balance, teamwork, throwing and catching, movement and game skills.



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Newsletter – Autumn Term 2026

Dove

Welcome to the Doves 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 Miss Jackson directly, in the first instance.

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Diary Dates

Parent consultations Sept 30/Oct 1
25th September Languages Day
23rd October Harvest Service

PSHE: In PSHE, pupils will explore "Connecting with Others: Why are healthy relationships important?" as part of the Year 5 curriculum. Pupils will explore the importance of healthy friendships and supportive families, including how to build, maintain and repair relationships. We will develop strategies for managing disagreements, staying calm and communicating assertively and respectfully.

Computing: This term we are introducing coding through the use of the Bee Bots. Pupils will have the opportunity to develop their computational thinking, problem-solving and creativity skills. We are also beginning to develop digital literacy skills using laptops to help us record our ideas.

Science: Our Science focus this term is 'Rocks'. We will be comparing and grouping different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and physical properties. We will also use different types of scientific enquiry to answer questions such as how fossils are formed.

Topic: In History, pupils will be learning about the Stone Age, exploring the three main periods: the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods. They will discover how humans developed and changed throughout the Stone Age, including how their homes, lifestyles and hunting skills evolved over time. Pupils will learn about how early humans relied on hunting and gathering for survival. They will explore how these developments shaped communities and marked a significant change from a hunter-gatherer lifestyle to early farming lifestyles.



RE

In RE, pupils will be learning about The Trinity and what Christians believe about God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They will explore the role of God the Father as creator, Jesus the Son as the one sent to save humanity, and the Holy Spirit as God's presence and power at work in the world and in people's lives today. Pupils will consider how Christians use symbols, similes and metaphors, as well as art, music, poetry and stories, to describe and express their beliefs about God. They will also explore the Baptism of Jesus, including the significance of the voice from heaven, Jesus being baptised by John the Baptist and the Holy Spirit appearing as a dove, and how this story demonstrates the three persons of the Trinity. Finally, pupils will learn about the Christian practice of baptism, considering what happens during both infant and adult baptisms, the symbolism of water, and the importance of the words "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."