



Autumn 1 2025 Curriculum Overview

Year 6: Mrs Freeston, Miss Segard and Miss McMenamini

English

We begin this half term with the book 'The Night of the Gargoyles' and create a narrative. Then, we will move on to writing a non-chronological report based on 'Planetarium'. In Guided Reading sessions, we will be reading a variety of genres with a range of themes to keep the children engaged.

Geography: Our Changing World

This essential skills and knowledge project revises the features of Earth, time zones and lines of latitude and longitude to pinpoint places on a map. Children find out more about map scales, grid references, contour lines and map symbols. They learn about climate change and the importance of global trade. Children analyse data and carry out fieldwork to find out about local road safety. They study patterns of human settlements and carry out an enquiry to describe local settlement patterns.

Mathematics

The focus this half term will be:

- Place value
- Multiplying and dividing by 10,100 and 1000
- Choosing effective mental calculation strategies
- Problem solving with the four operations

PE

Outdoor and Adventurous Activities: we will be learning to work together in teams.

Gymnastics: rolls and balances.

Art & Design: Tints, Tones and Shades

This project teaches children about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and exploring mixing tints, shades and tones. They learn about significant landscape artworks and features of landscapes before using this knowledge to create landscape paintings.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic this half term is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be thinking about our role as part of a class and school community and looking at democracy.

Music: Happy

This is a six-week unit of work. All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: Happy by Pharrell Williams, a Pop song with a Soul influence about being happy. What makes you happy? We will also introduce ukuleles.

Science: Evolution and Inheritance

This project teaches children how living things on Earth have changed over time and how fossils provide evidence for this. They learn how characteristics are passed from parents to their offspring and how variation in offspring can affect their survival, with changes (adaptations) possibly leading to the evolution of a species.

Computing: Online Safety

We will be learning about our digital footprint, keeping safe and how the World Wide Web and internet connect us all.

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Religion: Islam

Key Question:

What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?