

Curriculum Newsletter - Year 6 Autumn 1



English

In English, we will be exploring how to create powerful setting descriptions that build mood and atmosphere. Children will learn to use descriptive language, sensory detail, and figurative techniques to bring scenes to life.

They will then apply these skills in a third-person narrative, introducing characters, dialogue, and plot.

Finally, the unit will move into a non-chronological report, allowing children to write non-fiction linked to the wider curriculum.

Reading

In reading, our class text will be *Pig Heart Boy* which will perfectly tie in with our science top for the term.

Maths

In Maths, we will cover place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division.

Science

In Science, we will be learning about the **circulatory system**, focusing on how the **heart, blood, and blood vessels** work together to transport substances around the body. As part of this topic, children will have the opportunity to **dissect real hearts** to explore their structure and function firsthand.

Hardwick - Mrs Hughes and Mrs Agacy

Haddon- Mr Farmer and Mrs Agacy

History

In History, we will be learning about the Ancient Maya civilisation. Children will explore who the Maya were, where they lived, and what made their society unique. We'll investigate their writing system, religious beliefs, calendar, daily life, and achievements, comparing them with other civilisations and life today.

Geography

In Geography, we will be exploring the continent of South America. Children will learn about its countries, key physical features (such as the Amazon River and Andes Mountains), and climate zones. We will also compare human and physical geography across different regions and look at how people live in various parts of the continent.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be learning about families and relationships, and how we care for and support one another.

RE

In RE, children will explore why religions look different around the world and what words can be used to describe God.

Art

In Art, we will be developing drawing skills, inspired by the work of Chris Riddell.



DT

In DT, we will explore food from around the world, trying different ingredients and cooking techniques.

PE

In PE, we will focus on fitness and basketball, developing skills and teamwork. PE days are **Tuesday and Thursday**.

Music

In Music, we will explore dynamics, pitch and texture appraising the work of Mendelssohn and develop improvisation.

Computing

In Computing, we will learn programming, making simple programs and developing variables in games.

Spanish

In Spanish, we will learn letter sounds, feminine and masculine words.