

# 2024



Year 6  
Spring Term 1  
January- February 2024

### SATS preparation

We would like to remind parents of the importance of helping your child at home with preparing for the exams in May. Homework is imperative and should be done each night. It is important for children to be fully secure with times tables. Children should continue to learn their spellings each week ready for a test on a Monday.

### Science

**Evolution and Inheritance** - This is a biology topic designed to reinforce and then build on pupils' knowledge of adaptations before exploring basic genetics and the threat of extinction.

### Physical Education

**Hockey** - Pupils will be taught to improve tactics and gameplay; to understand the rules of hockey; use blocking to intercept passes and shots; and developing other defensive skills.

**Gymnastics** - pupils will learn how to sequence routines as part of a group; using different chorographic styles to formulate aesthetically pleasing arrangements.

### PSHE

**Dreams and Goals** - In this topic pupils will set success criteria so that they will know whether they have reached their goal; give praise and compliments to other people when they recognise their contributions and achievements; and identify why they are motivated to do

### Computing

**Introduction to Python** -Pupils will be taught that there are text-based programming languages such as Logo and Python. They will learn to use nested loops (loops inside of loops) and understand the use of random numbers and remix Python code.

### Music

For our music we will continue working with the Archdiocese of Liverpool school's singing programme to develop a range singing techniques.

### English

This term, in non-fiction, pupils will practise writing in a formal manner. We will be studying formal interviews and creating our own formal letters relating to current issues. We will then study stories with flashbacks in the second half of this term. Our new novel will be War Horse by Michael Morpurgo.

### Mathematics

This half term, we will begin by looking at Ratio: pupils will be taught understand that a ratio shows the relationship between two values and can describe how one is related to another. We will then move on to algebra: pupils will first look at forming expressions before moving on to solving more complex equations.

### Religious Education

**Sources - Unity** - This term we will be learning about the Bible, as a story of God's love as told by the people of God; and for Christians, communion has a significant meaning; to receive communion means being in union with Jesus Christ and with one another.

### History

**Conflict and Resolution** - This unit is designed to expand pupil's chronological knowledge of British History beyond 1066. This unit will give pupils knowledge of the First and the Second World War as well as how conflict still continues in the world today.

### No Outsiders

This term, our students will embark on an enlightening journey through 'The Thing' by Simon Putcock. This book serves as a prompt for discussions on diversity and inclusion, encouraging our pupils to explore the rich tapestry of differences and embrace the beauty of individual uniqueness. Through this literary adventure, we aim to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for diversity within our school community.

Thank you for your support

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