

Year 6
Autumn Term 1
September -October 2024



Dates for your diary

18th September - Class 14 assembly
25th September - Class 13 assembly

English

Street Child - This term the pupils will be reading the book 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. The pupils will be taught how to write balanced arguments from the perspective of the main character. We will also explore narrative through the historical context of the book: Victorian time period. In our narrative we will focus on using Year 6 grammar features to enhance our descriptions.

Science

Light - This is the first science unit in Year 6 and the second time pupils will have studied a physics focussed unit on light. The unit dives into both light and how we see and perceive both objects and light itself - building on their knowledge from Year 3.

Physical Education

In PE, Year 6 will be learning how to play dodgeball and take part in indoor athletics, focusing on key skills like agility, coordination, and teamwork. Through dodgeball, they will practice quick reflexes, strategic thinking, and cooperation. Indoor athletics will help them develop speed, strength, and endurance, improving their overall fitness and sporting abilities.

Music

We will be working with the Archdiocese of Liverpool school's singing programme to develop a range singing techniques

Computing

E Safety - Pupils will be taught to explain how sharing something online may have an impact either positively or negatively. They will describe how to be kind and show respect for others online including the importance of respecting boundaries regarding what is shared about them online.

Mathematics

Four Operations - The pupils learning this term will centre around the four operations. Pupils will be taught to add and subtract integers, multiply 4 digits by 2 digits, short division, division using factors, long division, common factors, common multiples, prime numbers, square and cube numbers, order of operations, mental calculations, and reason from known facts.

Religious Education

Domestic Church: Family: Loving - Students will focus on the relationship between the domestic church and the family union. They will share their experiences of Church through their own spiritual understanding of the topics covered.

Humanities

Ancient Egypt - In this unit, Year 6 will explore the origins of Athenian democracy and how it shaped modern political systems. They will also learn about the conquests of Alexander the Great and his role in spreading Greek culture across the ancient world. Additionally, the class will discover ancient Greek successes, such as philosophy, architecture, and the Olympic Games, which continue to influence our lives today.

RSE

The wonder of God's love in creating new life - In this unit the pupils will learn all about the conception and development of a new life. This term will focus on the social and emotional aspects of this.

PSHE

In PSHE, Year 6 will be exploring the topic of family and relationships, focusing on important themes such as challenging stereotypes, building respectful relationships, and understanding how to cope with loss. They will learn to recognize and challenge unfair assumptions, develop empathy and communication skills for healthy interactions, and gain strategies for managing difficult emotions during times of change or loss.

Thank you for your support

Homework - Year 6 homework will start this week. Please see the school web page for a suggested homework timetable. The intent of our homework is to support the pupils in developing home working habits that will serve them excellently as they transition to secondary school. Homework will always reinforce the work that we have covered in class and we will endeavour to make it as 'family friendly' as possible and hope that you can do your bit to support learning at home.

