



YEAR 6 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 1



ENGLISH

This autumn term children will be completing many exciting writing units. Three units will be based on the traditional tale 'Hansel and Gretel'. Children will explore the story and create their own version of the narrative using speech, dialogue, figurative language and new vocabulary. They will then write a diary from the witch's perspective. Later units include haunted house descriptions and a delve into the character of Scrooge! Alongside these units, spellings will be practised daily within school and grammar lessons will be taught separately to their writing lessons. Our daily Guided Reading lessons will also help embed many of the skills they will be learning and practising in writing, spelling and grammar lessons.

MATHS

In maths, most of the focus will be on place value and addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (4 operations). This will include factors, square and cubed numbers, long and short division and long multiplication. Children will be working with numbers up to 10,000,000. They will explore each unit with practical apparatus to ensure they can access the maths in several different forms. They will also be applying mathematical processes to solve reasoning and problem-solving questions.

SCIENCE

In science, we are looking at the topic 'The Circulatory System'. This project teaches children about the role of the human circulatory system, its main parts and their primary functions. They learn about healthy lifestyle choices and the effects of harmful substances on the body. Some science investigations that support this area are: How does blood flow? What can your heart rate tell you? What's in blood?
This topic makes excellent cross-curricular links with our DT unit 'Food for Life'.

Art: They will be exploring tints, tones and shades. To practise these skills, we will be looking at landscapes and the artists' use of colour.

Computing: Children will be designing 3D models on Tinkercad. They will create their own model by combining different 3D shapes together.

Design Technology: We will be completing a unit titled 'Food for Life'. Children will compare processed foods with healthier foods, make their own healthy dishes and create a healthy menu.

French: French is Olympics themed this half term. They will learn how to say different sports in French and will learn about some of the countries that compete in the Olympics.

Geography: Our topic this term is 'Our Changing World'. During this topic children will learn about time zones, latitude and longitude, grid references and will complete some fieldwork.

History: We will be exploring the triangular slave trade as part of our unit on Maafa.

Music: In Music, we will be delving into dynamics, pitch and texture through a range of musical stimuli. Later in the term, we will be learning WW2 songs ready for our WW2 unit in History.

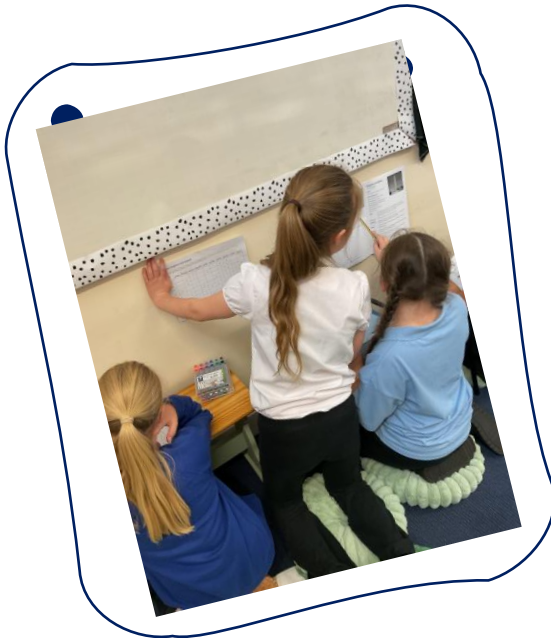
PE: Children will learn skills in football, netball and gymnastics.

PSHE: The children will be looking at relationships. Their focus will be on developing friendships and resolving conflict. During this topic they will explore what kind of friend they are to others

RE: In RE, children will be looking at Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. These are the Jewish New Year celebrations. We will be tasting some of the foods they eat during Rosh Hashanah

DATES TO REMEMBER

W/b 15th September: Teacher-led clubs begin
3rd October: School photos
3rd October: Family Reading, 2.45pm
6th–10th October: NSPCC Kindness Challenge Week
23rd October: Halloween Disco
24th October: Mufti Day (tombola donations for Christmas Fayre)
27th–31st October: Half-term holiday
3rd November: Back to school
7th November: Remembrance Ceremony at Memorial Green
11th & 12th November: Parents' Evening
14th November: Children in Need
19th November: Flu immunisations
21st November: Family Reading, 2.45pm
5th December: Carols on the Playground
11th December: Christmas Jumper Day
17th December: Christmas Dinner Day
19th December: Last day of term



WORK GALLERY

