

English: Miss Williamson's class will begin the term looking at autobiography, with the core text of *Boy* providing inspiration. Following half-term, the class will read *The Daydreamer* by Ian McEwan. Mr Whitworth's class will read *Holes* by Louis Sachar, drawing on the text to develop key reading and writing skills as well as spelling, punctuation and grammar.

French: This term we will begin with the topic of food and drink. We will learn some of the key vocabulary for food and drink items, how to describe meals and our opinions about food and drink as well as how to order drinks and snacks in a café. We will then move on to learning how to use the partitive article and how to use specific quantities, before learning about how to describe our daily diet and what we have eaten recently.

Maths: We will be starting this term with a revision of basic number and calculation skills. We shall then build upon this to look into word problems and how to work out the calculation required. To support your children at home we would ask that you encourage them to use Mathletics – our online maths programme. We would also ask that you practice your child's times tables with them during car journeys and at weekends.

PE/Physical
The year will start with some baseline fitness assessments. This will be followed by a half term of Swimming, then Basketball and Badminton.

Science: We will begin the term looking at 'Plant and animal cells' considering the similarities and differences. We will look at specialised cells and unicellular organisms. We will then move on to 'Classification and keys' where we will look at how we sort living things into groups. Lastly, we will look at 'Healthy living'.

History: The focus of our lessons this term will be the Norman Conquest: what led to it, the three main contenders for the throne and how the battles were lost and won. The Norman's influence transformed English life, architecture, politics and ethics. We will investigate the changes in the monarchy and the social implications of this change.

Year 6 Michaelmas Term Curriculum Map

Geography: The focus for this term will be embedding their geography skills such as map reading and location knowledge through a series of short studies that allows them to practice these essential skills. We will also explore how the physical landscape, such as rivers and mountains, has shaped our development.

RS: We start to consider the beginnings of Christianity, how it began and why it has been the all-powerful influence on the lives of people for 2000 years. There is an introduction to the Bible, a study of the Prophet Isaiah, the Annunciation and John the Baptist. We will discuss the temptations, the importance and roles of the disciples, miracles, the parables and advent.

Computing:
The first half of Michaelmas term is all about e-safety. We will be using various tools and techniques that will show our children how to use the internet as safely as possible.

Art:
In Art this term, we will be exploring Pop Art and learning about the great Pop Artists, Lichtenstein and Warhol. The children will make their own Pop portrait using the famous Benday Dot process, paint and cotton buds! They will also explore onomatopoeic words in the warmup to this bright and colourful project!

Theatre Studies:
We shall be exploring character, motivation, vocal technique, blocking and working towards the Duologue evening!

Design Technology:
TEXTILES This term we will be conducting research into various materials and their properties, ultimately, designing a costume for a superhero.