

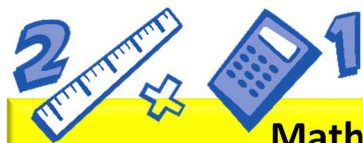


Autumn 1 in Year 6 – What are we learning?



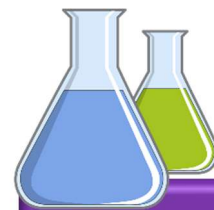
English

This term, *Street Child* will be used as the year groups whole class read. *Street Child* links to our Victorian topic in history. The children will continue to strengthen their comprehension skills through reciprocal reading. They will also explore the impact of language techniques and vocabulary and how it can be used effectively in writing. We will also use structural and linguistic techniques, along with appropriate ambitious vocabulary to write for a variety of purposes in preparation for SATs.



Maths

Year 6 children will start the year by further developing their knowledge of place value. They will then continue to develop their understanding of the four operations – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. During these topics they will develop their understanding of factors, multiples and prime numbers. The children will be introduced to long division and will continue to develop reasoning and problem solving skills related to known facts.



Science

Pupils learn about classification, exploring how living things can be grouped based on their characteristics. They learn to identify similarities and differences between plants, animals, and microorganisms, and use simple keys to help sort them. Pupils link this to real life by understanding how scientists organise living things, how we identify different species in nature, and why classification helps us make



History

Linking to the local Geography study, we also study local History. We begin in Roman and Medieval times, looking at the history of Stone and our surrounding area. We move on to a study of the Staffordshire Hoard, a significant Anglo-Saxon find. Our key individual study focuses on Josiah Wedgwood, using scholarship to enhance our learning, before further exploring the Industrial Heritage of North Staffordshire with a study of pottery and mining. This unit links with the Year 6 key read, *Street Child*. There will also be the opportunity for a local visit to enhance our learning.



PSHE

Mental health and wellbeing

This unit revisits and builds on prior learning about mental health, helping pupils to explore strategies that support wellbeing.



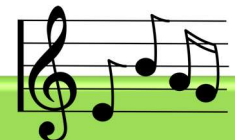
Geography

Year 6 Geography begins with a study of our local area. We start with location, ensuring all pupils know where they live in terms of country, county and town or village. This allows for plenty of map work. We then look at the climate of Staffordshire and make climate graphs. Moving onto physical Geography, pupils study local areas of importance, such as the Peak District. They then study topography, ensuring we can use relief maps and contour lines, before comparing rural and urban areas.



PE

Pupils will focus on developing physical skills and confidence through a range of engaging activities. They will enhance strength, flexibility, and control through gymnastics, while tag rugby sessions will focus on teamwork, spatial awareness, and tactical play. Problem-solving challenges will encourage communication, resilience, and collaboration. Netball will further develop coordination, movement, and game strategy. These activities aim to build physical competence, self-belief, and a positive attitude towards active learning.



Music

Pupils will explore the music and inventions of the Victorian era by learning about gadgets like music boxes and player pianos, performing Victorian street cries and taking part in a class Music Hall performance. They'll develop musical skills such as pitch, texture, rhythm and ensemble performance while also learning how music reflected the culture and entertainment of Victorian society.



French

We will be describing people using *avoir* and *être* and their nationality.

We will be learning how to tell the time and talk about our free time activities.



RE Parables

Explore teachings of Jesus found in the Bible and practices of followers.



Art & Design and Technology

Pupils will design and make their own wooden board game, learning traditional woodworking skills and using Computer-Aided Manufacture (CAM). They will develop creative ideas, apply accurate measuring and marking out, practise safe tool use, and combine handcraft with modern technology to produce a high-quality finished game.

Art:

Exploring the theme *Day of the Dead* through drawing, colour pencil and mono printing



Computing

Year 6 pupils will explore how data is transferred over the internet. We will look at website addressing before looking at data packets and how these are transferred. We also take a close look at staying safe online and communicating responsibly.