

Music - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will explore music through composition and notation, learning how to write and read musical ideas. We'll also study the Blues, discovering its history, structure, and creating our own expressive performances.

Science - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will explore Living Things and Their Habitats, learning how organisms adapt, survive, and interact within different ecosystems. We will also study Space, investigating planets, the solar system, moons, and forces such as gravity, helping pupils understand Earth's place in the universe and develop scientific observation, research, and analytical skills.

P.E. - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will enjoy PE through cross country, foot-golf, badminton, and fitness activities, building stamina, coordination, teamwork, and overall physical health and confidence.

ICT - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will explore online safety, self-image, identity, and efficient searching, developing digital skills through Project Evolve

English - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will develop reading and writing skills through a variety of texts. In English, we will focus on SPaG, write a non-chronological report inspired by Pax, a suspense narrative based on Coraline, and a diary entry from Rose Blanche. Pupils will also explore horror writing and newspaper reports from Alma, and create poetry inspired by The Journey, building creativity, vocabulary, and comprehension

PSHE - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will focus on two key PSHE units. In Being Me in My World, children will reflect on their responsibilities, goals, and role within the class and wider community. In Celebrating Difference, we will explore diversity, respect, and understanding others' perspectives, helping pupils appreciate individuality and kindness. These lessons support emotional wellbeing, empathy, and teamwork, building confidence and strong values for life inside and outside school.

Art - Year 5 and 6 will develop drawing skills, exploring line, texture, and expression while studying artist Toyin Ojih Odutola's unique style and inspiring techniques.

D&T - Year 5 and 6 will explore electrical systems in DT, designing and creating projects using circuits, switches, and components to develop problem-solving, creativity, and practical skills.

History - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will investigate history through the census. Children will explore how census records reveal information about people's lives, families, and communities, developing research skills and understanding changes across time.

Maths - Year 5 and 6 will build confidence in key maths skills. We'll begin with place value, ensuring secure understanding of larger numbers. Pupils will then develop strategies in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Later, we'll explore fractions and measurement, applying knowledge to problem-solving, reasoning, and real-life contexts to deepen mathematical understanding.

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R.E. - This Autumn, Year 5 and 6 will deepen their understanding of faith through two key RE questions. We'll explore Islam by considering What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? In Christianity, we'll reflect on How significant is it that Mary was Jesus' mother?

French - Year 5 and 6 will learn French vocabulary for different types of transport. Children will practise speaking and writing simple sentences, building confidence in pronunciation and developing conversational skills through engaging activities and role-play.

Geography – Year 5 and 6 will explore the question Why does population change? We'll investigate factors influencing population growth and decline, migration, and urbanisation, developing map skills and understanding how people and places adapt over time.