

St Catherine's Catholic Primary School



Year 6

Autumn Term 1

English

This term, Year 6 will write a adventure narrative, developing their use of suspense. They will also create a detailed non-chronological report, learning how to organise information effectively and present facts clearly using subject-specific vocabulary. In poetry, pupils will explore rap poetry, experimenting with rhythm, rhyme and performance techniques to craft and perform their own pieces.

Maths

This term, Year 6 will build confidence and fluency across a range of key mathematical concepts. Children will develop their understanding of place value, strengthen their skills in arithmetic and deepen their knowledge of fractions. They will also explore converting units and solve problems involving ratio, applying their learning in a variety of practical and reasoning contexts.

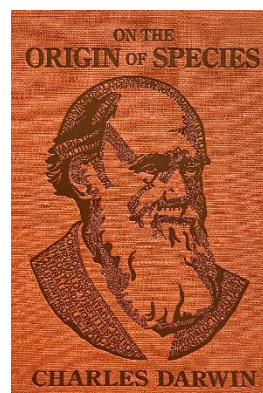
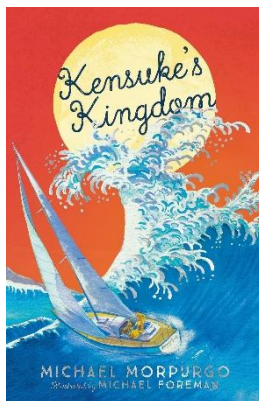
Science This term, Year 6 will study Evolution and Inheritance, learning about how living things have changed over time and how characteristics are passed from parents to offspring. Children will explore the work of scientists such as Charles Darwin, investigate adaptation and natural selection, and understand how fossils provide evidence of evolution. Through practical investigations and discussion, pupils will develop their scientific enquiry skills and deepen their understanding of the natural world.

RE

This term, Year 6 will explore the unit **Creation and Covenant**, developing their understanding of God's relationship with humanity from the story of Creation through to God's covenant with Abraham. Children will reflect on what these stories reveal about God's love, faithfulness and promises, while considering how they inspire Christians to care for others and the world around them.

History

This term, Year 6 will explore Crime and Punishment through the Ages, investigating how crimes, laws and punishments have changed from the Anglo-Saxons to the modern day. Children will compare different periods of history, examining why punishments evolved over time and how society's attitudes towards crime have changed. Through the study of historical sources, pupils will develop their enquiry skills.



Computing

This term, Year 6 will explore Computing Systems and Networks, learning how digital systems communicate and share information across networks, including the internet. Pupils will also investigate Artificial Intelligence (AI), exploring how AI is used in everyday life, its benefits and limitations and the importance of using technology responsibly.

Design Technology

This term, Year 6 will take part in a food technology project, where they will design, prepare and evaluate a range of healthy dishes. Children will develop key cooking.

Music

This term, Year 6 will explore a range of pop soul music and jazz. Children will develop their singing and glockenspiel skills.

PSHE

This term, Year 6 will take part in a range of activities that promote personal development and wellbeing. Children will explore British Values, online safety, Black History Month and Show Racism the Red Card, helping them to develop respect, empathy, and resilience.

PE

This term, Year 6 will develop their fundamental skills, build confidence and improve their agility and balance. Children will also be developing their ball skills in their football unit this half-term.

French

Year 6 will be learning about emotions and different body parts in French.

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Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you have all had a lovely summer holiday. The children have made an excellent start to Year 6 and I am really looking forward to lots of fun and learning over the next term. I look forward to working with you to ensure the children have a successful and enjoyable year. If you have anything you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Key information

Homework - Children will receive grammar, maths and spelling homework weekly as well as daily reading. Homework books must be brought in every **Wednesday** where children will receive their new spellings and their homework will be given out on a **Friday**. Spelling tests will be on a **Friday**. Children should bring their reading record books in daily for guided reading sessions and then take them home at night where they can record what they have read. Reading books will be changed throughout the week when the child has finished their book, or I am happy that they are ready to move on.

Children should have a book bag to carry letters, homework, reading book and reading record. This is to come to school every day. No backpacks as we have limited room in the classroom/cloakroom.

Please ensure that your child always has a labelled water bottle in school.

P.E kits - Your child will wear PE kit on their PE days. The school PE kit should include: a blue T shirt, blue /black shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers. No jewellery to be worn during P.E. lessons.

P.E. will be on a **Monday and Wednesday**.

I am always available after school if you wish to discuss any issues or concerns. If you wish to arrange an appointment, please contact Mrs Johnson in the school office.

I look forward to having a great first term with all Year 6 children.

Thank you for your continued co-operation and support.

Miss Thomas and Mrs Watkins