Upper Key Stage 2 Topic Newsletter

Spring 2 2026

This Term…

Year 5 Curriculum	Year 6 Curriculum
Geography – Sow, grow and farm In geography, the children will learn about land use in the UK. They will learn about allotments and farming in the UK. They will work on maps, grid references and climate zones. They will explore physical features of North and South America and look at farming in North and South America. They will find out how food is transported.	**Geography – Frozen Kingdoms** In geography, the children will learn about the Arctic and Antarctic regions. They will do further work on lines of latitude and longitude. They will explore polar climates and polar day and night as well as polar oceans and polar landscapes. They will focus on climate change, natural resources and the indigenous people. Finally, they will look at tourism in these regions.
Art – Nature's Art In art, the children will learn about the genre of land art. They will work outdoors to sketch natural forms and explore the sculptural potential of natural materials before working collaboratively to create land art installations.	**Art – Environmental Artists** In art, the children will learn about the genre of environmental art. They will study how artists create artwork that addresses social and political issues related to the natural and urban environment. The children will work collaboratively to create artwork with an environmental message.
Science – Human reproduction and ageing In science, the children will learn about animal life cycles, including the human life cycle. They will explore human growth and development to old age, including the changes experienced during puberty and human reproduction.	**Science – Electrical components and circuits** In science, the children will learn about electrical circuits, their components and how they function. They will recognise how the voltage of cells affects the output of a circuit and record circuits using standard symbols. They will carry out investigations linked with both electrical components and voltage.

Thought of the term…

Be honest and helpful

Self-respect and responsibility

InMAT value: Integrity

PE days

Please ensure children come to school in full school PE kit.

Year 5 – Monday and Tuesday

Year 6 – Monday and Wednesday

How I can help my child at home.

Maths

In term 4, Year 5 will learn about fractions, decimals and percentages.
Year 6 will learn about perimeter, area and volume and ratio and proportion.
Ask the children to work out new prices when there is a sale in shop.
Practise times tables which closely link to area, volume and ratio and proportion.

English

In term 4, Year 5 will be writing diaries and stories.
Year 6 will be writing non-chronological reports and narratives.
Activities which support this are reading non-chronological reports and thinking about how they are set out.
Discuss statements where there could be two different points of view.
Read a range of writing of the genres to be studied, discuss features of these types of writing.

Dates for the diary.

5th March – World Book Day – children can dress up if they wish.(book character or a detective!)

17th March – Parents' evening

19th March – Parents' evening

19th March – Comic Relief – non uniform day

20th March – School event to remember Renuka Popat

23rd March – Rock Steady concert 9:30am

26th March – Friends Easter Disco Year 4 -6 6.15pm-7.15pm

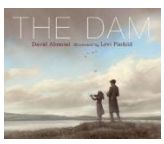
27th March – Friends Easter bonnet Competition

27th March – End of Term 4

13th April- Training Day (school closed to pupils)

14th April- school re-opens to pupils 8.40am

Reading Recommendations – Year 5



Reading Recommendations –Year 6