

Year 5 / 6 Termly Overview: Autumn Term 2025

Literacy

This term, we will study the features of modal verbs for possibility in Literacy. We'll then apply this knowledge to our own writing as we create a model text.

Text: Inside the Villains
by Clotilde Perrin
(Fiction)

A Christmas Carol
by Charles Dickens

Mathematics

Maths lessons focus on developing the children's abilities to reason mathematically by following a line of enquiry, solve problems by applying their mathematics to a variety of routine and non-routine problems and the ability to recall and apply mathematical knowledge rapidly and accurately.

This term we will be focusing on:

Place Value
Addition and Subtraction
Multiplication and Division (Y5)
Fractions

Computing

Our computing units this year will be completed on a carousel basis, with each class completing one of the following units, per term.

Digital Citizenship - Online Safety lessons will run throughout the year, for all classes.

Digital Literacy – The History of Computers & Bletchley Park

Computer Science – Hive Hackers

Science

Focus: Living things and their habitats

As part of this unit we will be learning about:

Classification - Carl Linnaeus, Linnaean classification system, classification keys
Observable characteristics of vertebrates and invertebrates

History

**Focus: 'Power and People'
Queen Victoria and the Victorians**

Chronology
Monarchy
Daily Life
Housing
Industry
Economy

Geography

Focus: Comparison Study: UK/ Europe / North America

Understanding the similarities and differences of human and physical geography of different regions.

Comparing the Lake District (UK), the Tatra mountains in Poland (Europe) and Jamaica in the Caribbean (North America)

Art

Focus: Drawing: 'Make my Voice Heard'

Explore expressive drawing techniques
Consider how symbolism in art can convey meaning
Understand the drawing technique chiaroscuro
Evaluate the context and intention of street art

Design and Technology

Focus: Textiles: Design and Sew a Waistcoat

Design a waistcoat in accordance with a specification and design criteria to fit a specific theme

Use a template when pinning panels onto fabric

Mark and cut fabric accurately, in accordance with a design

Homework Information

Children in Year 5 and 6 are expected to complete the following homework:

Weekly

Reading: Read daily at home and record your reading in your homework diary. 1 dojo point will be awarded for every session of reading recorded in the diary. If you read 4 or more times a week, you will earn a raffle ticket for the Kindle raffle.

Homework diaries are due in on Fridays.

Spellings: We will have a spelling test, once a week on a **Friday morning**. Spelling homework will be completed through an online platform, called Spelling Shed (further information about this to follow).

Times Tables: Your maths teacher will give you a times table, or a number fact-based challenge, to learn and practise each week. Times table tests and challenges will take place weekly – the day/date of which will be decided by your maths teacher.

Termly

Maths: Your maths teacher will set homework and give you the dates of when it needs to be handed in.

Topic: Occasionally, you will receive topic-related homework, details of which will be confirmed at the time.

Dates for the Diary

October

Wednesday 8th
Pupil School
Photos

Friday 10th
Skipton Swimathon

Tuesday 21st
Parents Evening

Wednesday 22nd
Parents Evening

Thursday 23rd
Pyjama day

24th - 31st
Half Term

December

Tuesday 9th
Junior Carol
Service

Wednesday 10th

Further Information will be given via Dojo for future sporting events, discos and cultural enrichment.

Other than a watch and a small pair of stud earrings, **jewellery should not be worn to school.** If you wear other jewellery to school, it will be confiscated and returned to you at the end of the day, for you to take home.

Earrings MUST Not be worn on PE days. (For this reason, ears should not be pierced during the school year.)

Contacting us

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

If you require an urgent response or need to notify us of any absence or changes to pick-ups etc. please contact the secretary in the office directly, as we

cannot always look at the Dojo during the school day.

(The school secretary will pass any urgent messages on to us directly.)

Please note staff are not expected to respond to dojo messages before 8.30am or after 5pm.

Things to remember:

Wear your P.E. kit to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Homework diaries in school every day and hand in to your teacher on Fridays

Spelling homework completed by Fridays

Spelling tests on Fridays

Times Table tests weekly – day tbc

School Equipment:

Children are allowed to bring their own pencil cases to school. Year 5 and 6 are expected to write in pen (blue ink only—

PE Kit

Please make sure you wear the regulation, school PE Kit.

Summer kit

White t – shirt (no logos), royal blue school shorts, trainers

Winter Kit

White t-shirt, blue school shorts or navy-blue, or black leggings or jogging bottom, trainers. A navy-blue sweatshirt may also be worn. No logos on any of this clothing other than the school logo.

Children who do not wear the correct PE kit will be sent home with a slip and given kit from lost property to wear

Mobile Phones

If you need to bring a mobile phone to school, please make sure to hand it in to the office at the start of the day and they will keep it safe, Your child will collect it from the office at the end of the day.