

Curriculum Overview for Year 5 and 6 - Term 4

English:

During this term, we will be reading Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. Using the book as inspiration, we will be writing a character description and a powerful persuasive speech. Within our writing, we will continue using advanced punctuation and vocabulary choices. We will develop our spoken language skills by performing a speech to an audience.

Maths:

In our Maths learning, we will continue looking at place value, area, perimeter and volume and fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also continue with our weekly arithmetic practice sessions. Furthermore, we will develop our reasoning skills for word problem questions so that we can break down multi-step problems.

Science:

We are looking at 'Circulation and Health' during our Science unit this half term. We will be describing the circulatory system as the heart and blood vessels transporting blood around the body and recall that the heart is a pump that pushes blood through the circulatory system. We will also look at how exercise affects our body and the impact it has on the circulatory system.

Religious Education:

This half term, children are exploring one of the central Christian beliefs: that Jesus' life, death and resurrection form part of God's plan to save human beings. Through stories, discussion, drama, artwork and reflection, pupils are developing their understanding of sacrifice, forgiveness, Holy Communion, and how Christian beliefs influence how people live today.

Geography:

We will be asking: 'Would you like to live in the desert?' and looking at identifying where desert biomes are located, the characteristics of a hot desert biome, the features of a desert and how human, animals and nature use and survive in the desert. Furthermore, we will look at some of the threats to deserts.

Art:

This half term, the children will be learning all about architecture and how artists and architects design amazing buildings. They will explore key art words such as composition, perspective, proportion, elevation, and transform, using these to help them understand how different elements of a building or artwork fit together. The children will study famous architects like Friedensreich Hundertwasser and Zaha Hadid.

Other Curriculum Areas:

In PSHE, we will learn about safety – including online safety – and the changing body; keep an eye out for a dojo post about what this content covers. In Computing, we are looking at the history of computers. In French, we will continue looking at French clothing and in Music we shall study musical theatre. In PE, we are looking at Handball.

Key Dates and Information:

SATs Week for Year 6: Monday 11th May 2026 – Thursday 14th May 2026.

Residential for Year 5 and 6: 10th June 2026 – 12th June 2026.

PE Kits are needed in school on a Tuesday afternoon.