

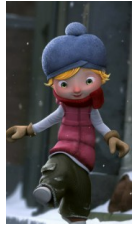


English

Children study various texts and use these to develop their reading and writing skills.

Trash

Children will use the text 'Trash' to write a range of texts including a newspaper report and a balanced argument. They will build on their grammar and punctuation skills to ensure we do this to the Year 6 standard.



Alma

The children will use the short film 'Alma' to write a narrative and develop our writing skills to build suspense.

Science



Light

In this topic, children develop their understanding and deepen their knowledge on how light travels. They will use the idea that light travels in a straight line to explain how objects are seen. They will investigate this by using different objects such as a mirror to change the direction of the light. They will investigate shadows and how the shape of the shadow changes according to which way the light is travelling.

Electricity

Children will experiment with different strengths of circuits and produce conclusions about the reasons for variations. During their lessons, they are given an opportunity to evaluate circuits, giving reasons why they will/won't work and why. We will learn how to draw circuits using scientifically

Geography



What's Happening in The News?

Children will name the continents and oceans of the world. Recall previous knowledge about humans and physical features of continents studies. They create an extended piece of writing such as; a newspaper report or a persuasive letter, to highlight the issues in the news. They research key world events, particularly linked to weather such as; flooding, hurricanes, tornados, avalanches, drought, famine. They use different sources of news and research why some continents are more prone to certain natural disasters. They examine the issues of climate change and what affect this is having on the planet.

History



What was life like for the Maya?

Children will compare the Ancient Maya with the Vikings and identify when the Maya existed. They find out why the Maya civilisation declined and describe how the civilisation has had an impact on modern society. They examine a variety of sources and use these inferences about the past. Children will find out about Maya society and that they had a similar structure in that they were different classes. They recap on Viking beliefs and how their religion changed and learn about what the Maya believed.

Maths



Decimals

Children learn the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. They work to two decimal places and solve problems using these skills.

Algebra

Children are taught simple algebraic formulas and use these in range of real life situations such as solving ratio problems. They look at how to use ratio in everyday scenarios.

Measure

Children are taught how to calculate perimeter, area and volume and, by using real life scenarios, are taught to convert units of measure.

During this term, children continue to work on their problem solving and reasoning skills. They will articulate their reasoning using precise mathematical vocabulary.

Across all topics, children are encouraged to use bar-modelling to facilitate their learning.

RE



Galilee to Jerusalem

We will explore Jesus' teachings, focusing on the Beatitudes and what they teach about living a good life. We will make links between these teachings and the Ten Commandments. We will also learn about the Transfiguration.

Desert to Garden

The children will learn about Lent and its importance for Christians. We will explore Ash Wednesday, the meaning of the ashes, and how Lent is a time for reflection and prayer. We will learn about sin, conscience, and how the Ten Commandments and the Rosary help guide Christians.

Catholic Social Teaching

Happiness comes in sharing and giving.

Computing



Variables in games

Children explore the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. First, they find out what variables are and relate them to real-world examples of values that can be set and changed. Using their new knowledge of variables and design, children will create their own project.

Data and Information

In this unit, children will be introduced to spreadsheets and will learn how to use formulas to create charts. They will evaluate their results in comparison to questions asked.



Art and DT

Observational Drawing inspired by Manchester Monastery

During this topic, children practise using perspective to create a drawing. They apply their skills to sketch the local landmark, Manchester Monastery and create a whole-class image. Children will find out about the history and refurbishment of the Monastery and look at how the architects combined the old and the new to compliment each building.

Music



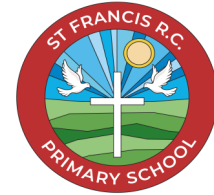
Wish

Children will develop their knowledge and skills in duration, and creating and playing rhythm and patterns. They will link these skills to the song 'Wish'.

Jazz is Cool

Children will develop their skills in timbre and tempo, and link to the genre of jazz.

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What we are learning Year 6 Spring Term 2026



PE



Attack and Defend

Children will take part in a variety of activities that encourage them to defend and attack in small groups/ teams. Children will be encouraged to create tactics and identify what worked well and what areas they feel could still be improved. They will be asked to constantly revisit attacking and defending qualities and make amendments to improve.

How You Can Help

- Please ensure that your child reads **every night**.
- Record reading in your child's **reading record**.
- Your child needs quick recall of all **times tables** up to 12. Please practise these at home with your child.
- **PE kits** should be in school every day. Please send them to school at the start of each half term and we will send them home at the end, or sooner should they need to be washed.
- Please ensure that your child has the brings the correct equipment to school each day including: **water bottle, reading record and book bag**.
- If you have any issues, do not hesitate to contact **Miss Deighan** or **Miss O'Brien**



PSHE



Dreams and Goals

The children will learn about what it means to have dreams and goals, and how to work towards them. They will learn about what it means to be resilient; to have a positive attitude; and to work well as part of a team.

Healthy Me

The children will learn about what it means to be healthy, not just physically but to have a healthy mindset too— to live a healthy lifestyle in terms of responsibilities and morals.

Class Routines

Homework will be set every Friday, and should be returned to school the following Wednesday.

Spellings will be tested each Friday and new ones given out.

Log in to Times Table Rockstars regularly to practise times tables.

PE takes place every Thursday. Children must have a full PE kit in school at all times.

Water bottles to be brought into school every day (only water allowed).

Year 6 should arrive at school for 8:50 am and be collected, or walk home, at 3:20pm