



Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2026: Year 6



Welcome to Year 6 and to the start of a school new year. We're delighted with how well the children have settled and have enjoyed getting to know them this past week. We have been incredibly impressed with how hard they have worked. You will have already received a letter regarding reading and homework and this newsletter is to share our curriculum for the Autumn term.

We have many exciting curriculum opportunities planned for the term ahead such as our trip to Pioneer Centre - always a highlight of the year. Mr Hardeman, Mr Scullion, Mrs Young and Mrs Watkins are all looking forward to the term ahead and look forward to getting to know you all as the term progresses.

English

In the Autumn Term, the children will continue exploring fiction, non-fiction and poetry in Guided Reading lessons and developing their comprehension skills. Our class text for this term is *Holes* by Louis Sachar - which the children are already enjoying. In writing, the children will be learning how to survive a natural disaster and creating a persuasive leaflet about our experiences at the Pioneer Centre.

Maths

In Maths, we are building on our knowledge of place value and the four operations including formal calculation methods (long multiplication and long division).

We will then apply this knowledge in a variety of reasoning problems.

Science

In Science, we are learning about adaptation and understanding about food chains and food pyramids. We will explore the work of Charles Darwin to understand how the Theory of Evolution was created.

PE

In P.E, we will build on our skills in dodgeball, netball and hockey, as well as our orienteering and teamwork skills. At the end of each unit, we will have a tournament to demonstrate our new understanding.

Music

In Music this term, we will listen and appraise a variety of pop and folk songs. Alongside this we will learn the ukulele and finish the term by performing one of the appraised songs.

MFL

With Madame Jones, we will learn how to express our opinions of school and what our hobbies are. We also play a variety of French games to consolidate our learning.

PSHE (RSE)

This term, we will discuss how to stay safe, both in the outside world and online. We will learn ways we can keep ourselves safe whilst still enjoying the internet.

Geography

In geography, we are exploring natural disasters. We learn about California as a region, both physical and human geographical features, and how natural disasters have affected a variety of countries.

Art/DT

In Art, we learn about the artist Hokusai. We create our own wave painting, inspired by this artist. In DT, we create our own mobile phone case, using a different sewing technique - blanket stitch and cross-stitch.

Computing

In computing, we learn about how to stay safe online and who to contact if pupils feel concerned or worried about anything that occurs in their online life. Also, we learn about Networks regarding how their devices connect with each other at home and at school.

RE

This term in RE, we explore similarities and differences of world religions and reflect on the study of Christians' beliefs using the Bible Explorer with David Brown.

Class Page Link: <https://www.straitsprimaryschool.com/year-6/>

Knowledge Organisers Link: <https://www.straitsprimaryschool.com/knowledge-organisers/>

As you can see, it promises to be an exciting term and we look forward to seeing the children flourish as they enjoy, achieve and learn! Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any support.

	Reading	Spelling	Maths	English
Homework Plan Year 6	Reading for pleasure and every child will be encouraged to read up to 3 times a week.	A set of spellings will be sent home each week on a Friday and tested the following Friday.	SATS Companion Task (tasks set each Wednesday) https://app.satscompanion.com/login	SATS Companion Task companion (tasks set each Wednesday)

