# **Year 6 Spring Term Overview**

# Reading

In Spring Term children will be exploring SATs style texts. During daily reading lessons the children will be given opportunities to participate in paired, small group and whole class discussions based around this.

# **Writing**



In Spring 1 our writing is linked to our learning in Science and Geography. Our writers will be creating a narrative poem based on the text 'Moth' by Isabel Thomas and a persuasive speech drawing inspiration from Greta Thunberg.



In Spring 2, children will be writing an adventure story through reading Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. We will also be exploring Letters from the Lighthouse.



### Maths

- Decimals
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Area, perimeter and volume
- Statistics

The lessons are broken into smaller steps. The steps can be found here: <a href="https://whiteroseeducation.com/resources?year=year-6-new&subject=maths">https://whiteroseeducation.com/resources?year=year-6-new&subject=maths</a>

Reasoning and Problem Solving will run throughout.

### **History**

### What was the impact of WW2 on the people of Britain?

Children will learn about WW2 and the global impact of this, including the vital roles played by women in various capacities such as nursing and factory work. Additionally, they will explore the harrowing experiences of civilians during the Blitz, gaining insight into the resilience and sacrifices of individuals amidst the intense bombing raids.

# Geography

### Where does our energy come from?

In Geography lessons, pupils will describe the significance of energy and give examples of renewable and non-renewable sources of energy. Children will discuss the benefits and drawbacks of energy sources and consider and justify the location of them. Pupils will use maps carefully to identify human features and discuss how transport links have changed over time.

# **Religious Education**

### What does it mean to be a Buddhist?

Children explore Buddhism and learn about what the religion teaches about suffering. They will learn about the Four Noble Truths and the Noble Eightfold Path that Buddhists follow. Children will explain what samsara is and the importance of being part of the Sangha.

### How does the Christian festival of Easter offer hope?

Children will understand the significance of forgiveness, salvation and hope during the time of Easter. Pupils will read the Parable of the Prodigal Son and explore the key concepts within it: forgiveness, jealousy, repentance and redemption. Children will discuss the stations of the cross and remember how the resurrection narratives help understand what Christian hope is.

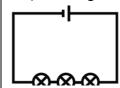
### Science

### **Evolution and Inheritance**

As Scientists, pupils will be taking a close look at the natural world and the plants and animals contained within it. They will reflect on the similarities and differences we have compared to our parents and analyse whether these traits are inherited or have evolved. We will also be experimenting on how the adaptation of beak size has affected food webs for different species of birds.

### Circuits, batteries, and switches

Throughout the term, they will learn about essential components such as bulbs and switches, understanding how voltage plays a crucial role in powering electrical systems.



# Art and Design

# Craft and design This unit explores creative photographic techniques, creating new images through photomontage, understanding photorealistic self-portraits.



# **Design Technology**

### Textiles: Waistcoats

Children will consider a range of factors in their design criteria and use this to create a waistcoat design. They will use a template to mark and cut out a design, making a waistcoat using a running stitch as the primary joining technique.

### Music

A New Year Carol by Benjamin Britten
Children will listen to a traditional folk
song and learn about how music can be
adapted to suit different styles and
audiences.

You've Got A Friend by Carole King Children will learn about an important female composer in the world of popular music, making comparisons with more recent female composers in the genre.

### **PSHE**

### Health and Wellbeing

In PSHE lessons, pupils will explore the meaning of resilience, how to take care of their physical and mental wellbeing.

### Citizenship

Children will learn about environmental issues relating to food and discuss how education and other human rights protect us. Through our lessons, pupils will also be able to explore ways to challenge prejudice and discrimination appropriately.

# Computing

Creating media: History of computers
Children will learn how to record sounds
and add in sound effects to include in
their own radio play. They will conduct
research on computers and describe
changes in features.

