

Year 6 Spring Term Overview 2026



English

Using the two main texts – Holes by L Sachar and then Darwin's Dragons by L Galvin, we will be focusing improving our comprehension skills and writing in the style of a newspaper and a persuasive advert. We will then develop our narrative writing by writing our own historical adventure stories.

Maths

Our maths this term will begin with a unit on decimal numbers, including numbers up to a million and to 2 decimal places. We will then complete our learning of algebra and ratio and proportion. As a class we will continue to work on our arithmetic skills each week in preparation for the SATS test.

History

We will be studying the life and times of Charles Darwin including his voyage on The HMS Beagle. We will investigate life in Victorian times and how people at the time reacted to Darwin's revolutionary ideas and theories.

Geography

We will be using atlases, maps and the internet to discover more about the countries Darwin stopped at during his journey. We will consider the biomes, human and physical geography and climate or a range of countries, including countries in South America.

Art/DT

We will be using a range of media to create our own work based on the work of Henri Rousseau in his work called 'Surprise'. We will also look at the work of South American artist Freda Karlo and the repeating pattern in the work of Victorian artist William Morris.

Science

This term we will be learning about Classification. We will investigate the five kingdoms and begin to group living things into suitable groups. We will look at the work of Carl Linnaeus and how his theories have influenced others over the years. During the second half term, we will look in detail at Evolution and Inheritance and study the Victorian scientist and explorer, Charles Darwin; making links with both our geography and history.

French

Using our existing French vocabulary we will be reading and acting out the story of Goldilocks and the three bears in French.

RE

What does it mean to be Human? – Is being happy the greatest purpose in life? Theology - Creation or science - conflicting or complementary.

PHSE

We will begin the term by thinking about the importance of self-control. Then we will go on to looking at how we can cooperate and work together successfully. We will complete a unit on financial awareness.

Music

We will be following the Active Music programme.

Computing

Blogging unit from Purple Mash. We will be creating our own blogs and web pages using a combination of text and pictures.

Walton Drivers

- Aspiration
- Independent and Creative Thinking and Learning
- Knowledge of the World
- Citizenship