

Year 6 Curriculum Overview

Year 6	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
	Darwin's Delights		Explorers and Expeditions		Freedom and Change	
English Key Texts	Tom's Midnight Garden Philippa Pearce The Door Miroslav Holub <i>Poetry</i> <i>Story openers</i>	Skellig David Almond Tuesday David Weisner Poppy Fields Michael Morpurgo The Christmas Miracle of Jonathon Toomey Susan Wojciechowski <i>Newspaper reports</i> <i>Using suspense in stories</i> <i>Poetry</i>	Shackleton's Journey William Grill <i>Recounts</i> <i>Diaries</i> <i>Letters</i> <i>Biography</i> The Polar Bear Explorers' Club Alex Bell Fiction text Survivors Extracts from Great Expectations by Charles Dickens	Kensuke's Kingdom Michael Morpurgo <i>Various fictional pieces</i> Brightstorm - Vashti Hardy <i>Haikus</i> <i>Balanced arguments – mountain tourism, keeping animals in zoos.</i>	The Windrush Child Benjamin Zephaniah <i>Narrative</i> <i>Diary entries</i> Little People Big Dream – Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, Harriet Tubman, Maya Angelou <i>Biographies</i> Maya Angelou The Caged Bird Sings <i>Poetry</i>	The Boy at the Back of the Class Onjali Rauf The Story Like the Wind Gill Lewis When Stars are Scattered Victoria Jameson and Omar Mohammed No Ballet Shoes in Syria Catherine Bruton <i>Narrative</i> <i>Autobiographies</i>
Maths White Rose	Place Value Four Operations – Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division Fractions Position and Direction		Decimals Percentages Algebra Measurement: Converting Units Measurements: Perimeter, area and Volume Number – Ratio		Angles 2d and 3d shapes SATs preparation and revision Preparation for Year 7	
Science	Evolution, Inheritance and Adaptation	Living Things and their Habitats	Humans and Other Animals	Microbes	Light	Electricity
Art & Design	Salvador Dali Surrealism <i>Pencil skills</i>	Andy Warhol <i>Printing</i>	Winter artwork <i>Use of pastels and charcoal – line, form and texture.</i>	Hokusai – Japanese artist <i>Printing, line drawing, watercolours.</i>	Textiles Making a Freedom Quilt <i>Sewing skills</i>	Banksy Graffiti art <i>Stencilling</i> <i>Lettering</i>
RE	Hinduism	Beliefs and Actions	The Journey of Life	How was the world created?	How does Bar/Batmitzvah affect the life of a Jewish child and their family?	Religions in our Community How can we build a more respectful community?
Computing Purple Mash	Coding	Online Safety Spreadsheets	Text Adventures Networks	Blogging	Quizzing	Powerpoint skills <i>Using powerpoint skills to create presentations about life in Year 6.</i>
Design & Technology	Ship design		Sledge models <i>Structures, using triangles for strength, designing, evaluating and making improvements.</i>		Cookery <i>Party planning and preparation</i> <i>Preparing food</i> <i>Hygiene in the kitchen</i>	
Geography	The voyage of the Beagle Map Work Directional Language		Polar regions <i>North and South Poles</i> Map work	Japan <i>Map work, the Pacific Ocean, islands, the country of Japan.</i>	Migration and Immigration <i>Comparison between Jamaica and Manchester.</i> <i>Reasons for migration and immigration.</i>	Trade and Economics – Fairtrade <i>Cocoa and the climate. Choices and consequences. Supporting Fairtrade products.</i>

History	Charles Darwin – Significant Individual Mary Anning – Significant Individual		Explorers and Expeditions <i>Famous explorers throughout history. Focus on Polar explorers, including, Ernest Shackleton.</i>	History of Japan from 1939-1945 <i>Role of the Japanese in World War II. Pearl Harbour, Atomic bombs – Hiroshima and Nagasaki.</i>	Historical change – The Windrush Generation <i>Reasons for immigration. Windrush generation and scandal. Civil Rights Movement</i>	Local history study <i>The history of Duston / Northampton. Local exploration. How has Duston changed over time?</i>
MFL	French Spanish		French Spanish	French Spanish	French Spanish	French Spanish
Music Music Express	Time Lord Composing Dance Performance Musical Notation	Time Lord Music from different eras traditions Solo and ensemble performance.	Journeys Music Express	Japanese music and instruments.	Caribbean Music <i>Reggae music Art study – Bob Marley</i>	Preparation for end of KS2 performance and Leavers' Assembly.
PE	Dance Sports Hall Athletics		Cricket	Netball	Athletics	Hockey
PSHE/RSE Jigsaw	Being Me in My World	Celebrating Differences Personal Identity	Aspirations and Goals People who inspire us.	Healthy Me	SRE	Changing Me Transition