

Literacy

Revision and Study Skills: in the immediate run-up to SATs exams, children will seek to evaluate their own skills in reading, grammar, punctuation, vocabulary and spelling, aiming to develop areas of the curriculum they are not as confident with. They will also use past SATs papers to hone their 'test technique' ensuring they are as comfortable and confident with the exam process as possible.

Author Studies: children will work in pairs or small groups and choose an author they particularly like. They will research the life and the works of the author they have chosen and organise the information they have found into relevant sections. Finally they will use their computing skills to create a presentation about their chosen author and present it to the rest of their class.

Debating Skills: children will learn how formal debates are conducted and explore the skills required to be a convincing debater. They will undertake a series of debates on different topics and attempt to convince their class to agree with their point of view. Finally they will use the outcomes of their debates as a starting point for writing.

Looking to the Future: children will learn about literacy skills required when applying for a job, including writing a curriculum vitae and a covering letter. They will use this as an opportunity to evaluate their skills and experiences to date and write their own letter applying for the job of their choice.

PSHE

Living in the Wider World

Children will look ahead to their transition to secondary school, discussing any anxieties they may have about change and strategies to cope with it. They will also learn about essential skills in the world of work and enterprise before creating their own enterprise project in small groups.

Geography

North America Comparison

Children will look in more depth at the continent of North America and study one particular location in detail. They will learn about several geographical features of that particular location, including both human and physical geography. They will compare and contrast what they have learned with their own location, and produce a final comparison piece.

RE

Who is God and who are we?

Children will learn about how God is perceived in Christianity and Buddhism, before comparing and contrasting with their own beliefs and links to their personal religion.

Suffering and Happiness

Children will learn about the Christian and Buddhist approach to suffering and happiness. They will compare this with their own experiences and study the way religion can support people who are suffering.

Maths

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Maths Investigations: children will undertake a series of mathematical investigations with a view to deepening their understanding of various areas of maths. They will work in pairs or small groups to investigate mathematical statements and apply their maths skills in order to prove or disprove the statement, providing evidence. They will also undertake different investigations requiring them to work methodically and look for time-saving methods to find the solutions quickly and efficiently.

Magic Maths and Games: children will learn about some unusual nuances in the world of maths that appear to be the work of magic! They will investigate them, attempt to prove or disprove and try to understand the reasons behind each one. They will also play some mathematical games and have a go at creating their own in pairs or small groups.

Year 6 – Summer Term

French

Lecture, Écriture et Parler

Children will build on previous skills and develop their fluency in reading, writing and speaking about a variety of different subjects in French.

Music

Silent Movies

Children will watch examples of silent movies and discuss how the story of the movie has been created even without the inclusion of speech. They will study the use of sound effects in a silent movie and how they contribute to tell the story. Finally they will create their own silent movie incorporating sound effects.

PE

Athletics and Rounders

During athletics, children will practise a number of disciplines, attempting to hone and develop their techniques to achieve improvement. During rounders, children will practise essential skills such as throwing, catching and batting, as well as developing tactical awareness during a series of matches.

Science

Humans and Health

Children will learn about the circulatory system, including naming the main features of it and explaining the role they play in our lives. They will also investigate the impact that diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle have on our bodies and use this information to promote healthy lifestyle choices.

Electricity

Children will learn about Volta and electrical history. They will build a variety of simple and complex circuits, making predictions and conclusions about the consequences of changing elements within the circuit.

Computing

Sound Works and Vlogs

Children will learn about how sound is recorded using technology and how digital sound engineering is used in the world around them. They will also research and investigate the way sound technology has changed over the years. Using iPads, they will create and edit their own video log, including the recording of sounds, manipulating of sounds to create specific effects and adjusting the pitch and dynamics of recorded sound to suit their purposes. They will evaluate, edit and improve their projects before presenting them for feedback to the rest of their class.

Art and Design

Tapestry

Children will learn how stories are told through pictures and look at the Bayeux tapestry for inspiration. They will then re-tell a story well known to them by creating a painted tapestry of their own. They will organise the events of the story before creating individual elements of it to create one final finished piece.

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Pencil Cases

Children will analyse the many different kinds of pencil case available to purchase, evaluating strengths and weaknesses for each kind. They will use this to design, plan and construct their own pencil case, including decoration, by selecting materials and applying sewing techniques, before ultimately evaluating their product.

History

The Mayan Civilisation

Children will learn about many features of the Mayan people including where they lived, their places of worship, their food and systems of hierarchy within their civilization. They will compare and contrast these with Britain at the time using learned knowledge about the monarchy. They will also learn in more detail about Mayan art work.