



Year 6 Autumn Term 1 2026

Learning together, Loving God, Becoming the best I can.

Compassionate and Loving



English: This term we will be reading **The Lost Thing** by Shaun Tan and using this text to develop our ability to use colons in a sentence as well as using dialogue to convey character and advance the action in a story. Other texts that we will read will include a variety of non-chronological reports to support our understanding of this text type before we write a report on Sikhism. During these writing lessons we will also be focusing on our grammar and punctuation skills, learning about different types on nouns and verbs, allowing us to build single-clause sentences. We will also be revising our Spelling skills from Year 5 before moving on to learn about homophones and commonly confused words, words that end in able/ible and ably/ibly.

Maths: In the Autumn Term, our focus will begin with a unit on **Place Value** where we will be reading and writing numbers up to 10,000,000 and placing different sized numbers on number lines. We will also be comparing integers and learning more about negative numbers. We will then move onto developing our **calculation** skills, securing efficient formal methods of **addition** and **subtraction**. Our focus will then move onto **multiplication** and **division** when we will look at common multiples, prime numbers and square and cube numbers. Formal methods of multiplication and division (including long multiplication and division) will also be taught. Pupils will also be working daily on their mental arithmetic skills.

RE: Our first R.E unit is **Creation and Covenant**. During this unit we will be examining the church's teaching about the second Creation story in the Bible and the concepts of 'sin' and 'original sin'. We will also focus on the sacrament of Baptism and how through Jesus we have a relationship with God. We will also be learning about Catholic Social Teaching Values.

RHE: We will learn how we are made in the image and likeness of God and how we change, grow and develop as we go through puberty.

History: Our first History unit is **The Industrial Revolution** where we will learn about key changes to life in Britain during this era and what impact these changes had on different types of people, including children. We will learn about some of the most significant inventions of this era and compare life then to the world we live in today.

Science: We will be studying **Electricity** and learning about circuits and links between the brightness of a lamp or volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells. We will also be representing simple circuits by using diagrams.

Music: Pupils will be learning how to play a variety of musical instruments with expert tuition from a teacher from Rock It Music Ltd. Pupils will get the chance to compose their own pieces, as well as learning improvisation and notation.

Art: Pupils will be introduced to artists who explore their own unique identity within their art. Pupils will then use their drawing, painting and collage skills to make their own layered portrait that explores their own identity.

Computing: Pupils will build on their knowledge of programming gained through our STEM Lego workshop and explore the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch. **Online Safety:** During computing sessions and whenever we use technology we will continue to teach pupils how to stay safe online, focusing particularly on online behaviour and reputation.

Homework: Homework tasks will be sent home on a Friday and will usually include Spellings, Punctuation, Grammar and Maths activities. Children should also be reading daily and completing books so that they are ready to quiz often. Pupils will also be able to select a book from our library or class reading area as we continue to promote the idea of Reading for Pleasure. We also encourage pupils to continue to use **Times Tables Rockstars** to maintain their times tables fluency. We recommend that they log on for 5-10mins 3-4 times a week.

PE:Indoors – Mondays and Fridays.

Please ensure that pupils come to school in their PE kits on Mondays and Fridays. Long hair should be tied back and if pupils are wearing earrings they need to be able to remove them by themselves before PE lessons.

Dates for your diary:

Mass in school every Thursday at 9.30am.