



Year Six - Curriculum Overview

Spring Term

Building the Kingdom Catholic Social Teaching	Dignity of Work <i>"The Lord blesses our work so that we may share its fruits with others."</i> – Deuteronomy 24:14-15	
Big Question	How do perseverance, friendship, and dreams shape who we become?	
Religious Education 	Our gospel virtues for this term are: Grateful and generous Attentive and discerning This term's topics in RE will be: • Christmas • Baptism and Confirmation • Lent • Holy Week	Prayers children will learn: Prayer to the Holy Spirit
RSE ~ Life to the Full 	Module 2 - Created to Love Others Keeping Safe: Types of Abuse, Impacted Lifestyles, Making Good Choices, Giving Assistance Module 3 Created to Live in Community Religious Understanding: The Holy Trinity, Catholic Social Teaching Living in the Wider Word: Reaching Out, The World of Work, Money and Me	
English 	Reading The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick The Little Match Girl Strikes Back by Emma Carroll Leila and the Blue Fox by Kiran Millwood Hargrave	Writing Based on <i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i> by Brian Selznick: Diary entry, journalistic writing, flashback narrative, speech, discussion, letter, film critique, biography. Based on <i>Leila and the Blue Fox</i> by Kiran Millwood Hargrave: Poetry, informal message, formal letter, short information text, diary entry, narrative and action scenes, tweet, extended blog entry.
Maths 	• Ratio • Algebra • Converting units • Shape	• Decimals • Fractions, Decimals and Percentages • Area, perimeter and volume • Statistics
Science 	Electricity • Electricity can flow from one place to another - this is called electrical current • We can control the flow of electricity in a circuit • Circuit components need electricity to work • Circuits components turn electrical energy into different energy forms • Voltage is the pressure from a battery that pushes electricity around a circuit • The voltage of a battery or the number of batteries can change the brightness/volume of components • Switches control the flow of electricity in a circuit	Light • Light enables us to see by entering our eyes • Light travels in straight lines • Some light sources are natural, and some are artificial • The iris helps the pupil to open and close • Inside the retina, light rays become electrical signals which are sent to the brain • Shadows are always the same shape as the object that made the • The size of shadows can change but the outline shape stays the same as the object • Light from the sun is made up of the colours of the rainbow

	• A switch creates makes a circuit complete or incomplete • Making a gap in a circuit prevents electricity from flowing	• When light travels through a prism, the glass slows it down and changes its course • Different colours are slowed down different amounts when going through a prism • A periscope uses reflects an image out of sight using light and mirrors
PE 	Stretch and breathe • Children will continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, learning how to use them in different ways and to link them to make actions and sequences of movement. • Children will develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance	Outdoor Games and Activities Children will continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, learning how to use them in different ways and to link them to make actions and sequences of movement. Children will: • enjoy communicating, collaborating and competing with each other. • develop an understanding of how to improve in different physical activities and sports and learn how to evaluate and recognise their own success. • compare their performances with previous ones and demonstrate improvement to achieve their personal best.
History 	The Rise and Fall of Hitler • The Armistice and the Treaty of Versailles • The Rise of the Nazi Party • Life in Nazi Germany • Kristallnacht and the Refugee Crisis	World War II • An Introduction to World War Two • The Battle of Britain • Bletchley Park • The Holocaust • The Home Front
Geography 	North America • The Countries of North America • Environmental Regions of North America • Rivers in North America • Cities in North America • Comparison of The UK and a region of North America	South America • An introduction to South America • Past civilisations and empires • The Andes Mountains and the Atacama Desert • Brazil (Agriculture and Industry) • The Amazon Rainforest
Art 	Victorian Art and Architecture • Victorian Architecture: Reviving different architectural styles • The Houses of Parliament • Local Victorian Architecture • Introduction to the Pre-Raphaelites: Millais The Pre-Raphaelites and realism: Rosset	William Morris • Introduction to William Morris and his work Morris' wallpaper: block printing • Morris' houses and companies • Morris and the Art and Crafts movement • Morris' writing and the printing press
Spanish 	Unit 2: ¿Dónde vives? • Saying your nationality • Saying which country you live in and which language you speak • Saying which language you don't speak, which country you don't live in and which nationality you aren't • Saying where you live, your nationality and which language you speak •	Unit 3: Eso, ¿qué es? • Saying the names of 6 pets • Saying it is or isn't a certain pet • Describing the pets with some colours • Describing pets with more colours and joining descriptions with a conjunction • Creating strange animals and describing them
Computing 	Creating media – Web page creation • What makes a good website? • Becoming a web designer • Copyright or copyWRONG? • How does it look? • Follow the breadcrumbs • Think before you link!	Programming A – Variables in games • Introducing variables • Variables in programming • Improving a game • Becoming a games designer • Design to code • Improving and sharing

Key Dates



6th January: Epiphany

27th January: Holocaust Memorial Day

11th February: Safer Internet Day

11th February: World Day of the Sick

20th February: World Day of Social Justice

4th March: Year 6 Sacrament of Confirmation

5th March: Ash Wednesday

7th March: Women's World Day of Prayer

8th March: International Women's Day

22nd March: World Water Day

25th March: The Annunciation of the Lord

13th April - 19th April: Holy Week

20th April: Easter Sunday