



**CURRICULUM INFORMATION**  
**SPRING TERM 2023**  
**DIAMOND CLASS**

Our Christian ethos and values are at the heart of our school community and underpin everything we do. We believe that we play a significant part in preparing children for their life beyond our school and, with a strong foundation, our children will develop their own core values.

*Respect, Trust, Friendship, Compassion, Justice and Forgiveness*



**As readers**, the children will be sharing two class texts this term: 'An Eagle in the Snow' by Michael Morpurgo and the classic novel 'Moonfleet' by J. Meade Falkner.



**As writers**, the children will study 'Romeo and Juliet' and learn to write diaries, letters, narratives, character description, balanced arguments and playscripts. They will also look at 'Suffragette: The Battle for Equality', 'Night Mail' and 'The Boy in the Tower' and study formal letters, speeches, summaries, poetry, and journalistic writing.



**As mathematicians**, the Year 4/5 children will be studying more complex multiplication and division methods and calculations, and comparing fractions decimals and percentages. The Year 5 children will also be studying perimeters and statistics.

The Year 6 children will be investigating ratio and algebra and then will study the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. Finally, the Year 6 children will look at area, perimeter and volume before finishing the term with statistics.



**As geographers**, the children will study biomes, and in particular ice and marine biomes and deciduous forests. The children will also investigate climate zones and how they are belt-shaped area of the earth with similar weather patterns, and that factors that determine the average weather in a climate zone include average temperatures and annual precipitation.



**As athletes**, in the spring term the children will be studying Yoga and discovering that it is a way of promoting physical and mental well-being. The children will also be learning the skills required to play badminton and taking part in lessons based around the sport of handball. Finally, towards the end of the term the children will learn the techniques and teamwork required to be able to participate in a hockey match.



**As technologists**, the children will be learning about Arch structures and what considerations have to be taken into account when designing such a structure. The children will also be studying which are the stronger shapes to use when creating a structure and how can structures be altered to make them stronger?



**As artists**, the children will be exploring amazing architecture and in particular investigating the buildings and structures designed by Zaha Hadid. They will also be looking at perspective, one point perspective and the horizon all of which are incorporated by the into the work of the respected cityscape artist Paul Kenton.



**As computer scientists**, the children will be developing their understanding of webpage creation by learning how to use most of the tabs (e.g. insert, pages, themes) on Google sites on their website and create a professional looking web page with useful information and a clear style, which is easy for the user to read and find information from.



**As musicians**, in the first half of the term the children will be exploring and one song from Benjamin Britten's Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol. In the second half of the term the children will be investigating and learning to play the pop song 'Happy' by Pharrell Williams.



**As citizens in PSHE**, the children will be learning about growing & changing, and in particular puberty, and about being responsible, with a focus on looking out for others.



**As theologians**, the children will be investigating what Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people as we study the New Testament events that led to the Easter story.



**As scientists**, the children will be studying Earth and space and Light, looking at the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the Sun across the sky. They will also study how we see things because light travels from light sources to our eyes, or from light sources to objects and then to our eyes.



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