

year 6 - maps and our local area

We have a busy term ahead! In our topic, we will be learning how to read and use a variety of maps in order to plot routes and plan journeys. By the end of the term, we will be able to use compasses and Ordnance Survey maps to navigate our way around the local countryside.

In Literacy we will be working hard on identifying the features of different text types, looking particularly at play scripts, reports, and persuasive writing. We will practise planning texts carefully, so we can showcase our knowledge of punctuation, grammar and vocabulary. We will continue to improve our reading comprehension through weekly lessons and our guided reading sessions. Our S.P.A.G. lessons will ensure we have the skills ready for secondary school—particularly accurate punctuation and correct use of Standard English.

In Maths we will be looking at area, ratio and statistics. We will also carry on improving our mental and written methods of the four operations to assist with solving word problems. In addition to this, we will consolidate and extend our knowledge as we prepare for our final assessments and Key Stage 3.

In Science, we will finish our work on Animals including Humans. We will also be studying different light sources.

In RE, we will begin the term by completing our unit comparing the different creation stories in multiple religions. We will then move onto our last 'Understanding Christianity' unit, where we will be discussing what makes God holy and loving and how this is shown to Christians.

P.E this term will focus on athletics: improving our skills and learning new disciplines. We will also work on our striking and fielding techniques which can be applied in games of rounders.

Our French lessons will introduce us to learning the names for different French shops, how to buy items and what is in our local town.

P.S.H.E: We are approaching a time of many changes - our schools, our emotions and our bodies, to name a few - and we will be reflecting upon how these affect us and what we can do to make these transitions easier. We will also be finding out about new life and how babies are made. We will be using the 'Betty for Schools' programme to learn about periods.

In Music, we will be learning more songs from 'The Big Sing' company, as well as building on our recorder skills. We will also study different types of music; comparing the different instruments used by musicians and the impact this has on the overall piece.

In Art, we will continue to develop our key skills, exploring different styles used by artists and trialling various media.