

English

This term, the children will be studying Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo and Sherlock Holmes: The Red-Headed League by Arthur Conan-Doyle. Based on these novels, children will be writing for a range of different purposes and audiences. The genres that the children will write are a diary entry, a narrative about a monster battle, newspaper report, detective mystery narrative and a non-chronological report.

Maths

The units that will be covered for each year group are:

Year 3 and 4- Place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division A. Year 4 will also cover area.

Year 5 and 6- . Place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division A and fractions A. Year 6 will also cover fractions B and converting units.

The children are also encouraged to practice their times tables at home using the app 'Timestables Rockstars'.

Design Technology

This term in DT, the Y3 and 4 children will be learning about levers and linkages and the Year 5 and 6 children will be learning about CAMS. They will apply the skills which they have learnt to design a nativity advert for families and visitors. at school.

Computing

Children will be learning about the internet and developing their understanding of what it is made of, how information is shared, who owns the web and whether everything online can be trusted. In programming, Years 3 and 4 will learn about repetition in shapes, while Years 5 and 6 will explore variables in games.

Reading & Spelling

Please continue to read with your child at home and read 3 times a week so they can be entered into the book draw on a Friday.

Spelling homework will be given out on a Monday, to be returned by the following Monday. The children, if possible, can also use the Spelling Shed app which the children should have their log ins for however this is not essential as the children access the app in school.



Curriculum Overview

Autumn 2026

Art

This term, children will be creating a piece of art work inspired by Post- Impressionist artist, Vincent Van Gogh. This will be using paint and collage to create a piece in the style of this artist after building skills throughout the unit. As part of their learning on this, children will visit the Van Gogh experience in York.

Science

The children will be learning about light.

Year 3 and 4 pupils will explore light, reflection and shadows, investigating how light behaves and how shadows are formed and changed.

Year 5 and 6 pupils will explore how light travels, how we see objects and how shadows are formed, using practical investigations to develop their scientific understanding.

PSHE

Children will continue their learning about the brain and how it works following, 'My Happy Minds.' They will also be covering, 'MyHappyMind Places', where children will develop their understanding of emotions and learning practical strategies to recognise and manage their feelings. They are building resilience, confidence and self-regulation skills to help them navigate everyday challenges positively.

Religious Education

The big question that the children will be investigating is, 'Why are festivals important to religious communities?'

Pupils will explore why festivals are important to religious communities, focusing on Easter, Diwali in Hinduism and Pesach in Judaism.

Geography

This term, year 3 and 4 children will Children will explore the UK's position within Europe, developing their understanding of climate zones, hemispheres, latitude and longitude. They will locate European countries and capital cities and explore how location affects climate.

This term, the year 5 and 6 children will Children will explore global businesses, food production and the impact of food miles on people, economies and the environment. They will learn about Fairtrade and consider how food production can become more sustainable.

History

In this unit, the children will investigate the Anglo-Saxons and compare this era to Roman Britain focussing on the big themes of conflict, society, religion and legacy. The children will begin by understanding why they invaded followed by learning about achievements and how these impact our lives today. Finally, they will learn about the Mystery of Sutton Hoo and the importance of our local Whitby Abbey in Anglo-Saxon times. As well as this the children will visit the Jorvik Centre to consolidate their learning.

Music

Miss Wilson will continue to work with the children in music. The children will be learning the Ukulele and focusing on Latin music: pupils will learn to dance salsa, play a clave rhythm, learn to sing and compose a piece for themselves to play. Mrs Lillie will come into school on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon for music lessons also.

PE on a Friday

During this term, children will be developing their skills in Invasion games and Dance on a Friday. Children will also have the opportunity to partake in fortnightly forest school sessions with Mrs Barber and Mrs Wardell on a Tuesday.

French

Madame Cordingley will continue to come into school to deliver French lessons however this will be now be on a Thursday afternoon.