

Year 5 Curriculum Map Term 1 2025-2026



English

Old Literature – The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe by C S Lewis: Children will write their own version on what takes place next in the text.

Film Narrative- Ancient Egypt: Children will use a film to extend a piece of narrative and provide an alternative ending.

Stories from other Cultures- Secrets of a Sun King by Emma Carroll: Using the text, the children will write their own versions of this classic tale.

Classic Poetry – The Tyger by William Blake: Children will write their own animal inspired poetry.



Geography

What is life like in the Alps?

Considering the climate of mountain ranges and why people choose to visit the Alps; focusing on Innsbruck and looking at the human and physical features that attract tourists; investigating tourism in the local area and mapping recreational land use; presenting findings to compare the Alps to the children's own locality.



PSHE

Being Me in My World: Children think and plan for the year ahead, they set goals and discuss the challenges they may face. They explore their rights and responsibilities as a member of their class, school, wider community, and the country they live in.

Celebrating Difference: Children explore culture and cultural differences. They link this to racism, debating what it is and how to be aware of their own feelings towards people from different cultures. They revisit the topic of bullying.



Maths

- Number: Place Value
- Number: Addition and Subtraction
- Number: Multiplication and Division A
- Number: Fractions A



Computing

Computing systems /networks- search engines

Children hone their research skills and learn about finding accurate information.



History

What did the Ancient Egyptians believe?

Children learn about early settlers in the Nile Valley and the discovery of Tutankhamen's tomb. They explore the importance of the River Nile to trading and farming. They will explain how significant events and dates have impacted on this period of time and research and evaluate what life was like and the key features this period.



PE

Gymnastics: Children will perfect sequences, focusing on flexibility and stability.

Invasion Games – Dodgeball and Basketball: Children will focus on strategy, teamwork, and game tactics.



French

Phonetics 3 / Date: Days of the week, months of the year and numbers 1-31 will be introduced, revised and consolidated.

Clothes: Children learn to describe what they are wearing in French. They aim to be able to say and write what they are packing in their suitcase for a holiday.



Music

Living' on a Prayer: Children learn to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, and listen and appraise other classic rock.

Classroom Jazz1: Learning is focused around two tunes and improvising: Three Note Bossa and Five Note Swing.



RE

Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people?

Understand Jewish beliefs and explain how and why they are important to Jewish people today.

Was Jesus the Messiah?

Explain the place of incarnation and Messiah within 'the Big Story' of the bible.



Art

Collage: Children will design and create their own headaddresses using a variety of mixed media. They will use sketchbooks to brainstorm ideas, experiment with different materials, and explore creative techniques.

Drawing – Portraits: Children will explore portrait drawing inspired by Njideka Akunyili Crosby, Yinka Shonibare, Thandiwe Muriu, and Mike Barrett. They'll experiment with style, pattern, and identity, linking to PSHE by celebrating difference, individuality, and cultural heritage through expressive, mixed-media portraits that reflect who they are and others around them.



Science

Properties of materials: Children will explore the properties of materials, such as hardness, solubility, and conductivity. They'll investigate how these properties help us choose suitable materials for different purposes

Changes of materials (Solid, liquid, gases): Children will investigate how materials change between solids, liquids, and gases. Through hands-on experiments, they'll explore reversible and irreversible changes, focusing on transformations. They'll learn how heating and cooling affect states of matter.



DT

Mechanical systems: Making a pop-up book:

Design and create a functional pop-up book using levers, sliders, layers and spacers to create paper-based mechanisms.

Cooking and nutrition - Developing a recipe: An opportunity for children to learn a simple bolognese recipe and adapt it to improve nutritional content.