

English

The children will be writing for a range of purposes this term based around their theme, including narrative, non-fiction including diary entries, and poetry. They will also be reading 'Windrush Child' by Benjamin Zephaniah and completing a range of activities based on this text.

Design and Technology

The children will be learning about pneumatic systems. They will experiment with pneumatics before designing, making and evaluating a pneumatic machine that performs a useful function.

History

The history this term includes learning about the Kingdom of Benin in West Africa. They will also learn about Africa in the past, learning about the triangular slave trade and Britain's role within this. They will also consider a slave's life on a Caribbean plantation as well as the rebellion of slaves. They will also consider the abolition of slavery and their lives after this. Throughout the term, the children will use a range of historical skills, including identifying causes and consequences of events, using historical sources and identifying bias as well as using abstract historical terms.

RE

The children will be studying aspects of Christianity and Islam this term.

Maafa – Years 5 and 6

PE

The children will be developing ball skills and playing invasion games. They will also develop dance techniques.



Geography

The children will learn to read Ordnance Survey maps, including contour lines and grid references. They will also develop their understanding of worldwide time zones, the Prime Meridian and Greenwich Mean Time. Finally, they will study interconnected climate zones, vegetation belts and biomes.

Science

The children will learn about electrical circuits, their components and how they function. Year 5 will also develop their understanding of electrical conductors and insulators and Year 6 will also consider how voltage of cells affects the output of a circuit and record their circuits using standard symbols.

Art and Design

This term, the children will look at colour theory by exploring mixing tints, shades and tones and applying this to landscape paintings. They will also learn about significant black artists, analysing their work and creating artwork inspired by them.

Maths

This term, the children will be focusing on place value and the four main number operations, as well as developing and extending their wider arithmetic skills. The children will also extend their knowledge and skills within fractions.

French

The children will develop their understanding of French phonics. They will learn about the date (days, months and numbers), as well as talk and write about any pets, confidently using conjunctions.

PSHE

Two units will be completed entitled 'Similarities, Differences and Stereotypes' and 'What Do I Know About Drugs'.

Computing

The children will complete a programming unit, using Scratch, using a range of coding skills to program a computer game. The children will also complete a unit called 'iCrypto', learning about cryptography.

Music

The children will continue to develop their listening and appraisal, playing, improvising and composing skills by considering the melody and harmony within music. They will also consider different styles of music.