

Art

During the first half term, we'll develop our sculpture skills through the making Day of the Dead sugar skulls. This will involve the use of Modroc which is an exciting technique to learn.



Music

Music is taught by Mrs Horner and Mr Burton. They will learn about riffs and ostinato. They will build up to composing their own 4 to 8 beat vocal ostinato.

French

Madame Dalglish will teach French to the class each week. The topic titles for this term are *Let's Visit a French Town* and *Let's Go Shopping*.

PE

PE will be on Wednesday and Friday, this year. Children will need a full PE kit in school on these days. Indoors (Friday) we'll be learning gymnastics, whilst outdoors (Wednesday) we'll be learning to play tag rugby.

Computing

In Year 6, we continue to help the children to get the most out of the Internet while protecting themselves from the risks. We understand that they need to make their own safe choices as they navigate their digital lives.

We will begin the year with a programme called INTERNET LEGENDS. It will help them to

- *Think critically* about online sources
- *Protect themselves* from online threats
- *Be Sharp* about sharing information about themselves
- *Be kind and respectful* towards others and their privacy
- *Ask for help* with tricky situations

Smart, safe technology usage can help our children to learn and we hope this programme will be a good step towards staying safe online. Please continue to be aware of what your child is accessing at home as we do have to communicate with groups in Year 6 every year about inappropriate use and language.

Year 6 Curriculum Matters

St. Philip Neri with St. Bede:
Advent Term 2022-23



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Welcome to Year 6!

Dear Parents/Carers and pupils,

Welcome to the Advent term and Year 6! We hope that you all had a wonderful Summer break. The Y6 staff are all very excited to begin this important year with you all.

If, at any point in the year, you have any questions or comments, there will be a member of the team visible at the start and end of the day or you can dojo the class teacher during office hours. Your Y6 team are: Miss Astbury, Mr Bowell, Mrs Shivley, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Lindsley and Mrs Wood. You will be delighted to know we are all feeling very energetic and creative!

Homework

Across school, written homework tasks will be given out on a Friday and are to be returned to school on the following Wednesday. This will consist of a **Maths** and **English** piece and a **spellings** list. This is to be recorded in their Homework Book. Not completing homework may lead to staying at homework club.

Please encourage your child to **read**, if possible for 15 minutes a day. This is to be recorded in the **Reading journals** we are issuing at the start of term.

Guided Reading books will be sent home on a Wednesday with details of what to read next and **MUST** be bought in for lessons the following Tuesday and Wednesday.

RE

This term, our Come & See topics are:
Loving - where we'll explore whether love has to be earned;

Vocations & Commitment - where we look at the celebration of Holy Orders and consider the different commitments made in life;

Expectations— where we prepare for the second coming of Christ and consider what expectations we have.

Maths

The following aspects of mathematics will be covered this term: place value; addition, subtraction, multiplication & division; fractions; measurement.

Within each unit, children will develop their Fluency, Reasoning and then Problem Solving skills.

Science

In science, children will learn about the Human Circulatory System. We will be looking at keeping our body (especially the heart) healthy and then moving onto studying the blood and circulatory system in general.

English

The main areas to be covered in English are as follows: diary writing, persuasive texts, non-chronological texts and narrative story writing. Please note that Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar are taught throughout each unit of work.

Topic

This half term, we take a trip to Mexico to learn all about the



physical and human characteristics of this country. We'll also step back in time and look at the Mayan Civilization and the influence they had on the world today.

After Half Term, our topic will be Fallen Fields where we'll learn about WWI. What started it? What was it like waiting for those 'missing in action'? How did the soldiers endure conditions in the trenches? We'll also look at how a fragile peace was finally achieved.