



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2025



English WarHorse

Our class text this term is 'War Horse' by Michael Morpurgo. Through our reading of our class text and group readers, we will continue to develop our VIPERS skills: vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval, summary and sequencing. The girls will write a diary entry from a character perspective; they will explore the use of persuasive devices when writing a pamphlet; and they will write a narrative piece from a character's perspective. We will continue to focus on weekly spelling rules, as well as consolidating some of the words from the Year 5 and 6 word list.



Maths × ÷

Place Value: we will learn to read, write, order and compare numbers up to 10,000,000. We will also ensure we can round any integer to the nearest 10, 100, 1,000, 10,000 or 100,000 and we will secure our understanding of m=negative numbers.

Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division: we will revisit factors, multiples, prime, square and cube numbers. We will practise written methods for all four operations with increasingly larger numbers, and we will apply these skills in problem-solving contexts.

Fractions: we will focus on finding equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering fractions, and adding and subtracting fractions. We will also learn how to divide and multiply fractions, as well as finding a fraction of an amount.



Science

Our first topic is 'Electricity' in which the girls will learn how to build a range of circuits. They will learn about the symbols used for each component in diagrams, and they will identify and fix errors in circuits. The girls will develop their knowledge of insulators and conductors, and finally they will apply their understanding of circuits in a real-life scenario. Our second topic will be 'Light', during which they will explore how light travels, reflection and how shadows can change.



P. E.

The girls will develop their skills in netball, dance, hockey and fitness. They will continue to build up their teamwork and communication skills. PE takes place on Mondays and Fridays. There is also an opportunity for the girls to take part in cross country this term at lunchtimes.



Computing

With Ms Osment, the girls will focus on the following areas using Project Evolve: online safety, self image and identity, online reputation and online relationships. They will also learn more about computer systems and networks, communication and collaboration. Across

some areas of the curriculum, the girls will continue to use their devices for research, recording and presentation, building on the skills they develop in their computing lessons.



History

Our history topic for this term is 'World War Two and The Occupation'. The girls will learn about the causes of WW2 and will understand what some of the key events were. The girls will explore the different roles and experiences of those who contributed to the war effort. They will also learn about what life was like during the Occupation for islanders.



PSHE

We will spend time establishing and embedding our class culture in terms of routines, systems and behaviour. The girls will develop our new Prefect system and they will have an opportunity to fulfil various roles. We will explore what it means to have a 'growth mindset' and we will revisit the zones of regulation. Through Life to the Full, we will explore self-talk, as well as how we build one another up.



Art & Design Technology

In art, we will study the works of artist Liubov Kuptsova. The girls will learn about her style and use her techniques in a creation of their own. In design technology, the girls will take part in the 'If I were an engineer...' competition, during which they will explore solutions to fix everyday problems.



Music

The girls will study 'Music of the Romantic Era'. They will learn about the main musical features and composers of this era, and they will learn to play a ground bass and identify musical instruments through listening. In 'Developing Melodic Phrases' the girls will continue to learn about all the Foundational Elements of Music with a focus on melodic development, exploring rounds and sound sources. They will also learn to play the ukulele, learning to play and understand the following chords C, F, G7 and Am. Finally, they will prepare for our KS2 Nativity, learning how to perform to an audience and work as a team.



Drama

The girls will be preparing to perform in the Drama Eisteddfod - November in the primary project group class. The girls will also be exploring the social, historical and cultural context of the Graduation show through a mixture of devised and scripted whole group - choral movement and choral speaking, and choreography



French

The girls will focus on these topics: greetings; introducing yourself (name; age; siblings; where you live); days of the week; months; birthday; the body; breakfast conversation; numbers up to 100. All topics will build on their skills in listening, reading, speaking & writing.

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