

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 2026



English

Reading: the girls will continue with their group readers (Rumaysa, The Girl of Ink and Stars, and The Song Walker) set in different cultures and times. They will develop their skills in commenting on impressions that the authors create, understanding the impact of language and structure, and summarising key events from the text.

Writing: we will revise all key areas of grammar and punctuation in preparation for the KS2 assessments. Focus will be given to understanding words classes, knowing how to use more advanced punctuation, and naming the different parts of a sentence. In addition, the girls must continue to practise their spellings regularly at home, as they should now be close to knowing all of the words from the Year 5/6 word list. In our narrative writing, we will be focusing on developing characters, setting and atmosphere, as well as consolidating how to use dialogue to advance the action.



Maths

As well as revision for our KS2 assessments, we will cover the following maths topics: **Shape:** measure, classify and calculate angles; angles in triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons; parts of a circle; and nets of 3d shapes.

Position and direction: read and plot points in four quadrants; solve problems with coordinates; translations and reflections.

We will also continue to consolidate **arithmetic** skills, using written methods for the four operations, including using them with fractions, decimals and percentages.

Following the assessments, the girls will develop their maths skills further through problem-solving and themed projects.



Science

We have two topics this term:

Evolution and inheritance: the girls will learn how offspring vary and are not identical to their parents. We will look at a range of animal and plant adaptations, understanding how species are suited to their habitats. We will explore what we can learn from fossils and we will explore the theory of evolution by natural selection as well as human evolution.

Looking after our environment: we will learn about climate change; explore ways to reduce how much rubbish is sent to landfill; ways to reduce energy consumption; and what is being done to reduce climate change.



P. E.

The girls will develop their skills in tennis, cricket, rounders and athletics. They will also continue to build up their teamwork and communication skills. PE takes place on Mondays and Fridays.



Computing

With Ms Osment, the girls will focus on the following areas: online safety and online bullying, as well as online wellbeing; creating media- 3D modelling; programming B, sensing movement, and BBC micro bits.



Geography

Our topic this term is 'The Coast', during which the girls will learn about tides, erosion and pollution. We will use the eight points of a compass and four-figure grid references when exploring some of our local coastlines. We will identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within our island.



History

As well as learning about 'The Kingdom of Benin' (continued from last term), we will revisit World War Two, this time focusing on The Occupation, to better understand the local impact. We will visit the Jersey Archive as part of our research, as well as a trip to the War Tunnels.



PSHE

We will continue to use Life to the Full to deliver lessons covering: impacted lifestyles, puberty, menstruation and reproduction. We will also welcome You Matter in to lead three sessions with us this term: boundaries, reproduction and transition.



Art & Design Technology

Our artist focus for this term will continue to be Esther Mahlangu. The girls will experiment with the elements of art: line, pattern, space, colour and shape to create a piece of art in her style. They will finalise their 2D piece before moving onto a 3D piece in her style. As our STEM challenge, the girls will design and build a tower with a working light at the top. They will use a range of materials and tools, including saws and circuits. The girls will also take part in a series of food and nutrition lessons with Miss Bolton.



Music

Through the topic of 'Words, Meaning and Expression', the girls will continue to learn about all the foundational elements of Music with a focus on expression of musical meaning through words. They will continue learning to play the ukulele and understand the following chords: C,F, G7, Am and G. The girls will also focus on the year 6 show, learning how to perform to an audience and work as a team.



Drama

The focus for this term will be on rehearsal, and performance of the graduation show: Madagascar. The girls will develop their evaluation of the show and the process, and what skills are needed for secondary Drama.



French

This term will consist of revision & assessment in all four skills: listening, reading, speaking & writing.

Many thanks

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