Curriculum Overview – Autumn Term 2 2026

Year Group: 5 / 6 Class Name: Blackbirds / Eagles / Swifts

Topic: Maps of Europe / Properties and changes of materials

English

Flash writing / Poetry

The children will use images as a stimulus to create a narrative piece of text. They will then also use the natural environment/European landmarks to inspire various styles of poetry.



Maths

Multiplication / Division / Fractions / Converting units.

The children will consolidate their understanding of ÷ and X. They will also explore fractions by finding equivalent fractions, simplifying fractions and then moving onto learning the calculation methods of +, -, x and ÷ fractions. They will continue to improve their fluency in calculations through regular 'Times Tables Rockstars' sessions.

Science

Properties and changes of materials.

The children will continue to learn about properties and changes of materials including uses of everyday materials and irreversible changes.

RE

Islam: What does the Qur'an reveal to Muslims about Allah and his guidance?

Children will explore ideas about revelation in Muslim narratives and the Muslim community / living. They will also examine the similarities and differences between faiths.

Technology – Computing / DT

The children will develop their understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. They explain the input, output, and process aspects of a variety of different real-world systems.

The children will explore pneumatic mechanisms and then based upon this will design, plan and evaluate a moving toy.



MFL Transport

The children will follow the 'Rigolo' language scheme and will continue to develop their French language skills. They will begin to talk about forms of transport and be able to ask / understand basic directions.

History / Geography

'Where are the special places of Europe?'



The children will gain a greater understanding in their locational knowledge by exploring various regions from Europe whilst also developing their map work skills.

Art /PSHE / RSHE

Children will continue to make detailed, analytical drawings of still life and look at images of landscapes focusing on perspective, foreground, midground and background to create depth.

'Celebrating Differences'

We will be looking at and celebrating the differences and diversity that are evident and extend from the classroom to the wider world.

Key vocabulary: individuality, diversity, equality, identity, courage.

PE Hockey/Handball

The children will develop their attacking and defending skills, learning to control, pass and receive the ball with increasing accuracy. They will explore how to create space, move into effective positions and work collaboratively as a team. They will develop their understanding of tactics, using movement, communication and decision-making to maintain possession, create scoring opportunities and defend effectively.

Music

The children will continue to compose and perform their own music based upon the work by the Polish composer Grazyna Bacewicz.

We link our curriculum to our school vision and values, where appropriate.

Homework and how you can help at home:

In general, the children will be set weekly grammar, comprehension, spelling and maths homework. The Eagles, Swifts and Blackbirds completion dates will vary depending on their individual timetables.

We would like to encourage your parental support when necessary with your child's homework as this will help them in their preparation for the Year 6 SATs. The children are expected to read daily for 10-minutes, this can be across a range of texts including magazines, newspaper articles and non-fiction texts. Please record any reading that you have supported your child with in their reading diary.

