



# Year 6 Spring Term



This term we have two exciting thematic topics planned for our conflict focus – ‘Wars of the World’ and ‘Pendle Witches’. We also have our sights set firmly on SATs preparations; so much of the work will prepare children to successfully tackle this challenge.

## Maths

Within Maths, learning will continue to have a heavy focus on number in particular fractions, decimals and percentages, but our learning will also lead in the direction of Measurement, Statistics and geometry will then follow, with problem solving and reasoning being incorporated where possible to ensure that all children are confident with these types of questions. As ever, we will continue with a strong focus on times tables but we continue to encourage the use of this at home also! Children will also continue with arithmetic, which will continue to provide the basic calculation and mental skills, which are important and necessary for the arithmetic SATs test.

## English

English learning will have a strong focus on the required standard at the end of Year 6 – children will continue to write sentences with ambitious vocabulary and punctuation, whilst manipulating sentences for effect. Children will be encouraged to use a variety of higher-level punctuation, in order to make sentences more varied and interesting for the reader. They will be writing at length this term, in order to provide more detailed pieces of writing that culminates the skills they have learnt and are demonstrated within their writing. We will be having a big push on handwriting and presentation this term. They will start their English writing using a short film clip, ‘Alma’ to write a narrative focusing on suspense and foreshadowing.

## Science

In science, we will focus on light before moving onto living things and their habitats. The children will have plenty of opportunity to deepen their scientific enquiry skills through investigations throughout both topics.

## Religious Education

The children will be looking at values and what matters most to the children and the wider community.

## Thematic

In spring 1, our topic “Wars of the World” is a thematic unit, based on conflicts past and present, with a key focus on history and geography. Pupils will learn about the root causes of war and have an understanding of its impact, focusing on the two World Wars in particular. They will also learn about civil wars and pacifism.

In spring 2, our topic ‘True Crime? The Pendle Witches’ is an investigative-style unit focusing on the events leading up to, and the trials of, the Pendle Witches in 1612.

## P.E

Children will be learning about outdoor and adventurous activities and the skills involved in net and wall games.

## Modern Foreign Languages

In MFL the children will be learning how to speak and write in French. They will be taking into account correct sentence structure and phonic knowledge.

## PSHEe

In spring 1, we will focus our attention on belonging in a community and media literacy/digital resilience, followed by in spring 2 learning about money and work. Children will have plenty of opportunity to discuss scenarios and learn about the world around them.

## Reading

The children will be building on their comprehension skills focussing on the main question types in preparation for their SATs paper. They will also be completing weekly comprehensions.

