

# Year 5 2024-25

## Term 5

# Parent/Carer Overview

## The Core

### Reading

#### Reading

Every morning your child will continue to practice our reading skills in Book Club. Your child will bring home their Accelerated Reader book every day, which they can quiz on at home or at school. Your child will also use Reading Plus in school three times a week to further develop comprehension skills and increase their reading speed.

Daily, we will be reading poetry by Valerie Bloom.

### Writing

#### Poetry

Your child will write a poem based on the natural world. They will develop descriptive, emotive and figurative language to engage the reader; they will explore the punctuation rules used in poetry using a variety of poems as examples.

### Maths

#### Statistics, Geometry and Time

This half term, your child will consolidate strategies that they have learnt in addition, multiplication, subtraction and division as well as fractions, percentages and decimals. It is important that we continually refer to these skills to support your child's retention in their memory.

The introduction of statistics, geometry (shapes) and time will enable your child to use these previous skills in many different contexts. This includes angles, data comparison, time durations, coordinates and symmetry.

### Science

#### Forces

During this half term, your child will carry out a range of experiments to support their learning of forces. They will identify specific forces, including gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.

They will also explore how levers, pulleys and gears can use a smaller force to create a greater effect. This has a multitude of real life applications that the children may need in everyday life or the workplace.

## The Creatives

### Art & Design

Art & Design will be taught in Term 6.

### Design & Technology

#### Electrical Systems- Battery Powered Vehicles

This term, your child will combine their existing knowledge of both building structures and electrical circuits to create a vehicle which they can program to follow a specific path.

They will design, make and evaluate their product and use research and prototypes to enable them to create the most effective product they can.

### Music

#### Recorders

This term, your child will attempt to play rhythms with increasing complexity, including rhythms that include rests. The introduction of rhythm grids will improve the children's understanding of what it means to be a musician.

They will confidently follow musical notation, including standard written form and have an understanding of when to play by following a musical score. They will become fluent in composing different aspects within a piece of music using the recorders.

## The Humanities

### Geography

Geography will be taught in Term 6.

### RE

#### Why do people use rituals today?

The focus for your child this term will be looking at why people who follow a range of religions follow different rituals and where these originated from. Your child will learn and understand what a ritual is and gain a detailed knowledge of features and beliefs expressed in Christian Eucharist, Muslim ritual prayer and the Jewish Pesach meal.

Throughout the topic, your child will respectfully raise and explore questions relating to the study of rituals.

### History

#### Victorians

This half term we will be learning about the Victorians, focusing on what it was like to be a child at the time. Your child will learn in more detail about the Industrial Revolution and the changes it brought to Britain, as well as looking at Victorian education and working/living conditions.

## The Wider Curriculum

### PE

#### Swimming

Over summer term, some children will be going to Hetton swimming baths to have a weekly, instructor-led lesson.

#### Netball

In netball, your child will perfect a range of passing techniques and develop their, attacking, defending and catching skills. They will learn the rules of the game and focus on their ability to shoot more accurately.

#### Outdoor Athletics

With Mr Lowerson, your child will be developing their athletic skills by practicing a range of throwing, jumping and running activities.

### Computing

#### Video Editing

This is a very creative term in Computing for your child.

The focus will be to continue to define and improve their green screen skills but also work more closely deepening their understanding of the editing features available.

They will work in groups to plan a video, which they will create an autocue script for, using Apple Pages, before recording and presenting their work.

### MFL

#### Eating out

Your child will learn how to confidently speak about ordering food and drinks in a café.

They will also become more confident when holding conversations in role, asking and answering questions with their peers.

### PSHE

#### Relationships

Your child will understand that belonging to an online community can have positive and negative consequences. They will learn how to build their own self-esteem and recognise when an online community or game feels safe/unsafe or helpful/unhelpful. We will also discuss different types of friendships and ways these might change over time

Additionally, your child will learn how to identify things to do to reduce screen time, so their health isn't affected and explain how to stay safe when using technology to communicate with friends.