



Slyne-with-Hest St Luke's C.E. Primary School

Year 6 Curriculum Information

Autumn Term 2026

English 	We will begin the term by focusing on the Mayan myth 'The Rain Player' by David Wisniewski. The children will use information from the text to write instructions for the ancient Mayan game 'Pok-a-Tok' and then move onto writing their own versions of the story. After half term we will start looking at <i>Red Miss Take – A Fairy Tale with a Twist</i>. Through this unit, children will explore traditional tales and learn how to adapt and innovate by changing characters, settings, and key events to create their own imaginative versions. Throughout the term we will also be developing our reading skills and continue to develop our SPAG skills, with a focus on word classes, the use of inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech, use of the colon to introduce a list and use of semi-colons within lists.
Maths 	Throughout the term we will be developing our understanding of a range of mathematical concepts, including place value of numbers (including decimals) up to ten million, mental and written strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, algebra and sequences, geometry and area, and statistics. Pupils will have opportunities to apply their learning to a variety of reasoning and problem-solving activities, helping them to make connections between different areas of maths. We will also be continuing with our weekly arithmetic work, focusing on all 4 rules of arithmetic as well as fractions, percentage and decimals.
Science 	Our first Science topic is LIGHT. We will explore how light travels and how we see. We will also investigate mirrors, shadows and the relationship between light and colour. After half term we will move on to looking at the CIRCULATORY SYSTEM. We will identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. We will also explore the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way our body functions.
Wider Curriculum 	Our topic for this term is 'Mexican Mix-up'. As part of this topic, we will be researching the life of the Ancient Maya, exploring how the empire started and how it came to an end. We will also be using our geographical skills to locate areas of Mexico on world maps, considering key information including climate and settlements. Our art links firstly to our Mayan work looking at designing and making Mayan inspired masks and then to our science light topic where we will be looking at and creating shadow puppets. After half term our Computing and Design Technology work will be closely linked as pupils design a multifunctional device to be used outdoors.
R.E. 	During the first part of the Autumn Term we will be thinking about what it means to be committed to something and make related promises. We will study different promises and commitments that people of faith make including Christian baptism, Jewish coming of age ceremonies and initiation rites within Buddhism and Sikhism. Our second theme focuses on the traditional advent themes that Christians use to reflect on and prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.
Home School Partnership 	We would like you to help your child at home with the following activities: • Reading at least three times in a week – more if you can! • Completing weekly English and Maths homework, including learning spellings • Supporting your child with revising their times tables.
Reminders 	• PE days will be on TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS • Children are responsible for changing their own reading books and this can be done on any morning as they come into school. • Maths Homework is due on TUESDAY • English/Spelling tests on THURSDAYS

Listen, learn, love and laugh as part of God's family.