

St Mary Queen of Martyrs Voluntary Catholic Academy

Term: Autumn Term 1 2021

Year Groups: 5 and 6 (Phase Three)

**English**

**Year 5 Reading**

We will be reading War Horse by Michael Morpurgo to build our vocabulary and comprehension. We will be focusing on using our inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summary skills. Additionally, we will be comparing characters and ideas within the text.

**Year 6 Reading**

We will be reading Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian, and other short extracts to build up our vocabulary and hone our skills in inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval and summary.

**Year 5 and Y6 Writing**

This year our writing lessons will take inspiration from our War theme and our class text Blitzed by Robert Swindells. We will be writing setting descriptions, poems. Newspaper reports and portal stories.

**Maths**

We will be following the NCETM Curriculum Prioritisation Framework for Maths. As such, pupils will learn about:

**Year 5**

- Unit 1 - Decimal Fractions (tenths, hundredths, rounding and using decimal numbers in addition and subtractions)
- Unit 2 - Money (quantity, conversions, comparison)

**Year 6**

- Unit 1 - Different mathematical structures and how these link to calculations and problem solving
- Unit 2 - Multiples of 1,000

**Religious Education**

**Units covered by Y5:** Ourselves and Life Choices

**Units covered by Y6:** Loving and Vocation and Commitment

**History**

**Pupils will learn about World War 1 and World War 2. Lessons will provide information to answer the following questions:**

- Why were the Allies successful in World War 1 and 2?
- What effect did World War 2 have on the people of Hull?

Pupils will use a range of sources as evidence, be able to construct the past and develop their Historical enquiry.

**Science**

Children in both Year 5 and Year 6 will learn about the physics of light.

In addition to the above, we are introducing Big Ideas in science this year. The following ideas are applicable to this half-term's curriculum:

Physics

P1: The universe follows unbreakable rules that are all about forces, matter and energy.

P3: Energy, which cannot be created or destroyed, comes in many different forms and tends to move away from objects that have lots of it.

## Art

### Children will undertake a project linked to WWII by:

- Researching shelters used during the war to provide protection from air raids
- Taking inspiration from the shelters used to plan and develop their own ideas
- Shaping, forming and joining materials to create their own air raid shelter
- Discussing and evaluating their own work and that of others

## Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education

### Children will learn about relationships by:

- Identifying their personal goals and how to show resilience to achieve them
- Explore differences and how to show respect to each other
- How teamwork and working as a global community brings change and success
- How to stay healthy and avoid peer pressure

## Computing

### Through our E-Safety topic, children will learn how to:

- Use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly
- Recognise acceptable and unacceptable behaviour
- Report concerns about digital content and unacceptable online behaviour

## Modern Foreign Languages - French

Children will build upon their speaking, listening, writing and reading skills to build upon content taught in previous year groups.

We will follow a new scheme entitled 'Language Angels' this year, and we will cover the following areas of study:

- Core vocabulary and Pronunciation (L1-4).
- Animals- Do you have a pet?

## Music

### Children will learn to be musicians by:

- Listening with attention to detail and recalling sounds
- Accurately describing and appraising music
- Using the standard musical notation of crotchet, minim and semibreve to indicate how many beats to play
- Performing solos or as part of an ensemble
- Singing or playing expressively and in tune

## PE

This half term the children will study the unit Invasion Games and develop the following skills and principles:

- Attacking and defending,
- Throwing and catching
- Running and dodging.

They will apply these skills within game situations and learn key rules and tactics related to tag rugby.

Children will also focus on Gymnastics. In this unit, pupils will:

- Create longer sequences individually, with a partner and a small group.
- Learn a wider range of actions such as inverted movements to include cartwheels and handstands.
- Explore partner relationships such as canon and synchronisation and matching and mirroring.