

Year 6



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Summer Term 2

English

In English this term, year 6 will be recapping their learning all about poetry. They will write reflective poems thinking about their time at Orchard Academy as they prepare to transition into secondary school. Following this, they will be looking at speeches and debates. The children will consider the purposes of these types of spoken language and then learn about constructing and presenting them.

Maths

In maths, we will be recapping the children's skills, ensuring they are as prepared as possible to go to secondary school. We will spend more time looking at fractions, geometry, time, and number.

Science

This term we will learn about evolution and inheritance, understanding how animals adapt to their environments and how animals and plants have evolved over time. We will look at key figures such as Mary Anning and Charles Darwin to help the children better understand how our understanding of this topic has changed over time.

Humanities

This term we will be learning about Walter Tull. We will learn about his contributions to society and why he was such an important historical figure. The children will be able to reflect on their learning about the war from before Christmas to help them with this unit.

PSHE

This unit will explore the theme of 'changing me' the children will learn all about the changes that will happen to them both physically and emotionally as they grow up. We will think carefully about personal care and looking after both mind and body.

Religious Education

This term the children will be posed the question "How can following God bring freedom?" The children will approach this question, first from a Christian's viewpoint, then consider other religions as well.

Music

We will be focusing on different types of traditional Indian music this term. We will learn about the different types of instruments, the genres of music, and the accompanying dances to this music.

DT

This term we will be looking at gears, pulleys and levers. The children will have the opportunity to make these different elements of moving things in isolation first, then consider how they can be utilised to make bigger projects.

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Key Vocabulary

English	Poetry, poem, rhyme, rhythm, speech, debate
Maths	Add, subtract, multiply, divide, fractions, decimals, shape
Science	Inherit, offspring, adapt, characteristic, fossil, mutation
Humanities	Segregation, separate but equal, civil rights inequality, war
PSHE	Adolescent, change, puberty, emotions, feelings, love
Music	Duration, pitch, tempo, timbre, structure, style
DT	Pulley, lever, gear, moving parts
Spanish	¿ Dónde vives?=Where do you live? Vivo en...=I live in... Una casa=A house Un piso=An apartment
Computing	Code, instructions, esafety
RE	Liberty, autonomy, free will, salvation
PE	Road safety, cycling, bikes

Computing

We will be learning to code a micro:bit to act in different ways. The children will learn the importance of different parts of codes and learn to problem solve and adapt to be successful in their tasks.

Spanish

Our theme will be Mi Casa (My home). We will learn to say what type of property we live in and explore the language used in describing various rooms in a house. We will learn to apply this language in a role play setting.

PE

This term we will be learning to ride bikes, making sure we understand appropriate road safety and maintenance of bikes.

Homework

Homework will be sent home on Friday and returned Wednesday. It will include key spellings, time tables, a reading challenge and the option of a selection of topic based activities.

How you can help at home

Read Read Read! Share as many different opportunities to read as possible. Join the library. Share a comic. Research information online. Make spelling practice fun and colourful. Make all learning fun and real. Practice maths skills through cooking, measuring and shopping. Practice the times tables as a daily routine to ensure they are embedded. Introduce telling the time and please help your child tie their shoe laces!