



Tanzanite

Year 5 Autumn 2026



Amethyst

Welcome back Year 5

We are very excited to have the children back at school. We look forward to a term of learning, building upon the skills and knowledge gained in previous year groups.

Spanish

This year the children will be venturing into Spain and other Spanish speaking countries, experiencing elements of the culture as well as the language.

Battle of Hastings 1066



We will learn about the events leading to the Battle of Hastings and the changes that took place under Norman rule. We will explore the Bayeux tapestry, investigate what castles were like and find out about the impact of the Domesday Book.

THE BENIN KINGDOM



We will learn about the historical kingdom of Benin and the people who lived there – the Edo – and their daily life and beliefs. We will discover what the Obas (rulers) did for the kingdom and how it became a wealthy empire through trade with Europe. We will compare the Benin and Anglo-Saxon civilisations.

Science (Physics): Forces and The Sun, Earth and Moon



The children will be discovering forces and Earth in space. We will investigate different forces such as gravity and friction. We will learn about the relationship between the Earth, Sun and Moon, and will find out more about night and day and the phases of the Moon.

English

The exciting story of 'Anglo Saxon Boy' will inspire the children's writing, linked to our Battle of Hastings topic. In Autumn 2, this is followed by a non-fiction text which will further our learning about the historical Benin Kingdom. There will be a strong focus on grammar, punctuation, spelling, correctly formed handwriting and neat presentation. Daily Guided Reading lessons will focus on developing the children's comprehension and vocabulary skills. Spelling sessions will be delivered each day; children are expected to practise their Year 3/4 or Year 5/6 spelling words at home. Children will bring home a list of words which they need to practise spelling correctly.

Maths

This term we will continue to develop calculation skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions and will discover how these can be applied in everyday maths. At home, please support your children to continue to learn all the multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12. We are working to build resilience in maths by ensuring the children know that mistakes are an important part of learning.

RE: This term, we explore Christianity. We will delve deeper into the Christmas story.

PE: The children will continue to develop and master their sports skills every week. Dance and Fitness will be the focus for PE lessons.

D&T: The children will build upon the sewing skills they have previously learnt to create a decoration.

PE lessons are on Wednesdays and Thursdays. children should come to school wearing the appropriate PE kit.

Homework will be issued on a Friday via Google Classroom and Eedi.

Homework will need to be completed by the following Thursday. Children should read at least three times per week and practise their individualised spellings.