

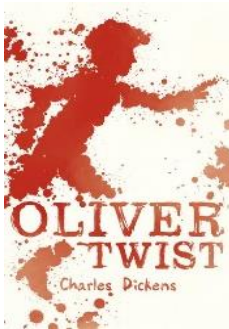


Year 6 Curriculum Overview for Parents

Spring 2 2025

What will your child be learning this half term?

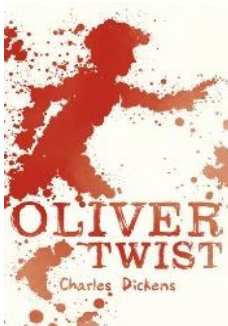
Reading into Writing – We will be reading and studying the book 'Oliver Twist'. Children will look at the themes and characters of the book and answer questions based on these. We will be using our 'VIPERS' scheme and look at questions based on retrieval, inference, prediction and vocabulary. Children will build up their comprehension, retrieval and inference skills in these lessons



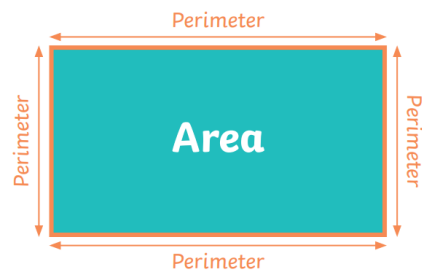
Religious Education (R.E.) – In RE, we will be looking at Lent and Holy Week. We will be focusing on the actions and true meaning of Lent and looking in detail at the events of Holy Week. We will focus on Jesus' suffering in the Garden of Gethsemane, the true meaning of the word sacrifice and symbols to represent Holy week.



Writing – In English this term, we are studying 'Oliver Twist'. We will be rewriting the workhouse scene when Oliver asks for more food from the famous book by Charles Dickens. The children will need to focus on setting descriptions, setting the correct atmosphere, describing characters and using speech to move their story on. They will also be writing a character description for Fagin.



Maths – In Maths we are focusing on Area and Perimeter, Geometry and Position and Movement. Children will also continue to practise their arithmetic skills by using 'Fluent in 5' in every maths lesson, with a focus on times tables, addition and subtraction, etc. It is important that the children know all of their times tables as this will help them in all lessons.



Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar –

Spellings

We will have a spelling pre-test on a **Monday**

We will have a spelling test on a **Friday**.

The spellings for each week will be glued in your child's planner at the start of each term:

Week 1 – ibly / ably suffixes

Week 2 – prefixes

Mental Maths -

This half term, we will focus on:

- Fractions
- Short division and Long Division
- Long Multiplication
- Adding and subtracting fractions
- Decimals
- Percentages
- Measurements

Week 3 – di/dis/ed prefixes Week 4 – le / el suffixes Week 5 – Year 5 / 6 words Week 6 – Revision	Mental maths will be taught through the use of mental maths sessions, daily use of Freckle and 'Fluent in 5' sessions where the children will focus on arithmetic style questions.
Geography - In Geography, we will start to look at Globalisation. We will look at what globalisation is, how globalisation affects different countries, looking at how shipping containers help the transport of goods and whether the internet has helped or hindered trade and globalisation. 	Science – In Science, the children will be learning about 'Light' In this unit, we will be learning: 1. What is light and where does it come from? 2. What is reflection and how can we use it? 3. What is refraction and how can we use it? 4. How do we see light? 5. Where do different colours come from? 6. What are some uses of light? 
Computing – This term, we are looking at Data and information - Introduction to Spreadsheets This unit introduces the learners to spreadsheets. They will be supported in organising data into columns and rows to create their own data set. Learners will be taught the importance of formatting data to support calculations, while also being introduced to formulas and will begin to understand how they can be used to produce calculated data. Learners will be taught how to apply formulas that include a range of cells, and apply formulas to multiple cells by duplicating them. Learners will use spreadsheets to plan an event and answer questions. Finally, learners will create charts, and evaluate their results in comparison to questions asked.	French – In French this half term, the children will be focusing on the following topics: This half term the children will continue to learn to use a combination of present and near-future tenses, and become familiar with holiday-related vocabulary around packing a suitcase and planning a journey. They will explore which countries they might visit and why and ultimately research and plan a holiday to France. 
Personal, Social & Health Education (PSHE) – • LTTF: Making Babies (Part 1 only) • LTTF: Menstruation • LTTF: Hope Beyond Death • LTTF: Coping with change+ Classroom shorts • British Values - Mutual Respect • CST: Option for the poor & vulnerable / Lent • Keeping safe online	Music – In Music this half term, the children will be focusing on composition using a full range of chromatic notes taught for the first time. Structure will be relaxed, giving the student more freedom to express music ideas and influences.
Physical Education (P.E.) – In PE this half term, the children will be focusing on Tennis and Badminton. They will learn the importance of playing in team games and the skills required for each sport.	

Other Important Information

Important Dates:

- Wednesday 26th February – Confirmation children at Holy Trinity Church Hall for Retreat Day
- Thursday 27th February – Confirmation children to St Thomas More – Lunch with Bishop Timothy
- **Thursday 27th February – Confirmation at 7pm, St Joseph's Wolverhampton Church**
- Monday 3rd March – St David's House – own clothes
- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day – come dressed in pyjamas
- Saturday 8th March – School / Parish Mass
- **Thursday 13th March – Year 6 at Southfields Farm**
- Monday 17th March – St Patrick's house – own clothes
- Wednesday 19th March – St Joseph's Day at school
- Friday 28th March – CAFOD Big Lent Walk
- **Friday 28th March – Year 5 and Year 6 – Great Big Spring Clean – Litter pick in local area 1-3pm**
- Tuesday 8th April – Whole school Lent Mass in school – 2.30pm
- **Thursday 10th April – Parent's Evening – 2pm – 6pm**
- Friday 11th April – Easter Culture Day – Easter around the world
- Friday 11th April – Egg diorama for KS2
- Friday 11th April – Stations of the Cross Led by Y4

Homework in Year 6

- Children are expected to read every day for 15 - 20 minutes – please sign your child's planner to show that this has been completed.
- Spellings will be stuck into planners and shared on the class page of the school website. Please help your child to learn these spellings at home. Spelling tests will take place on **Fridays** each week.
- Mental Maths – The focus for the mental maths test each week will be displayed on the class website page. Please help your child to practise at home. Mental Maths tests will take place on Fridays each week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to us at the end of the school day or contact the school office to make an appointment- we are here to help. ☺

Miss Maher and Mrs Cornes