



As your child enters their final term at St. Andrew's, it is customary for Year 6 to 'finish well'. We aim to achieve a healthy balance of preparing the children to move on to secondary school, whilst at the same time encouraging them to embrace and enjoy their final term. There will be many special memories for Year 6 to take away with them. Not long after the National Tests, we will be heading off on our residential trip to Dorset. Later in the term, we will enjoy putting together a musical production, as well as creating a Leavers' Book. In addition, the children will be continuing to enjoy lots of interesting and exciting learning as outlined below.

Maths

In **Maths**, our learning sequences this term will explore volume; measures; statistics; algebra & sequences; mean averages and pie charts. We will also being carrying out some revision to prepare the children for the National Tests.





English

We begin the term with a unit on **spy gadgets**, which will combine explanation and persuasion in writing. We will also be taking the opportunity to revise reading and grammar skills in preparation for the national tests. Later in the term, we will be learning how to write **promotional guides**, inspired by the location for our residential trip.

Science

In Science, we start with the unit **Evolution & Inheritance**. We will be thinking about inherited features, how animals and humans have evolved and adapted, as well as looking at what we can learn from fossils. Our second unit is entitled **Animals Including Humans** and focuses on the circulatory system and the effect of exercise on our bodies.



Topics: Coasts (Geography) & Adventuring into the Unknown (History)



Our Year 6 topic for the first half-term is '**The Great Outdoors'** and our learning is based around the location for our residential trip. In this Geography based topic, we will explore the contrasting locality of Purbeck and will learn how physical features of coasts such as arches, stacks and stumps are formed. We will also discover the fascinating history of Corfe Castle.



In the second half-term, our topic will be entitled: 'Adventuring into the Unknown.' Within this topic, we will be helping to prepare the children for the exciting next step to secondary school, through a series of secondary transition lessons.

Life in All its Fullness - Come and See

RE

In RE this term we will explore how the **resurrection** affects Christian views of life and death, before moving on to focus on what Humanists believe about **happiness** as their goal in life.





Design & Technology and Art

The first part of the term will have an art focus. Linking in with our Geography topic, the children will explore landscape paintings before creating their own coastal art-work. In the final half term, we will carry out a Design & Technology project, where we will enjoy designing and making fairground rides.

Physical Education and Relationships & Health Education

The children will continue to have PE on **Monday** and **Wednesday** every week. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kits on those days. Sports covered will include field games and athletics. For RHE, we continue to follow the Jigsaw scheme. This term's units are 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'. Both of these subjects will be taught by Mrs Small.





Computing

This term, we begin with a focus on networks before moving on to blogging.

Music

We will continue to follow our excellent music scheme: Charanga, as well as working on a musical production this term.



Further information

Please do read the information letter regarding the Year 6 National Tests (sent via email before Easter). This should provide you with all the information you need to know about the tests.

Thank you so much for all you have done this year to support your child in their learning. Please continue to encourage your child to **read regularly at home**. This is essential to support their learning and progress in school. Spelling & Maths homework tasks will continue to be set via **Microsoft Teams** on a Thursday and should be handed in by Tuesday. The children may also wish to use their **revision books** alongside the homework, particularly in the lead up to the tests.

We are looking forward to a brilliant term, with lots of new learning and experiences for the children, celebrating life in all its fullness.



