



St. Andrew's CE (VA) Junior School Year 6 Autumn 1 Curriculum Overview

Key learning this half term

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Literacy	Maths	Religious Education				
Our book this half term is the CS Lewis classic The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe by C.S Lewis.	During the first half term, we will be focussing on place value and written methods for calculation.	We will start our RE teaching by looking at Christianity around the world, with a particular focus on USA and India.				
	In Year 6, we look at numbers up to 7 digits long and ensure we understand the value of each digit as well as the number as a whole.	We will be asking the question, Creation and Science: conflicting or complimentary? Making sense of belief: Children will read Genesis 1:1 – 2.3 for				
In reading, we will focus on promoting a love of reading using our class books and shorter texts to increase fluency.	As a class, we will be practising all times tables as children should already know up to 12 x 12 by Year 6. We will also be working on the corresponding division facts.	 the creation story. Children investigate why they think it was written and discuss the genre of the text. Children look at reasons why creation and science may be in conflict. 				
We will be focussing on homophones and introducing new spelling rules each week using The Spelling Shed.	We will be working on arithmetic skills throughout the term and applying them to help solve problems.	 Understanding the impact: Look at evidence of God being celebrated as creator e.g Harvest. Identify Christians who are scientists 				
Grammar: Our grammar focus will be on word class and sentence structure.	Arithmetic tests will be completed every week. Children will record their scores in	Understand that churches e.g Roman Catholic and Anglican have accepted				
Spelling patterns: Revise learning from Year 5 and learn the statutory spellings from Year 5 – 6.	their planners and aim to improve each time.	evolution				

Every day, we will complete My Mini Maths, which is a revisit of recently learned skills as well as calculation practise for the four operations. This helps children to improve their basic skills.

The My Mini Maths website also has video tutorials, homework and extra challenge questions, if children want to work on their maths skills further at home.

www.myminimaths.co.uk

Children have access to TT Rockstars to practise times tables at home. Their login is written in their planners.

Making connections:

- Connecting our feelings about our amazing world and Genesis
- Discuss our 'purpose' in life

PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- Some Christians have different views on the text type and purpose of Genesis
- Christians believe God is a creator but may interpret this in different ways
- There are parts of the creation story that can be seen as conflicting but other parts that are complimentary to a scientific account







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We are also studying:

Ocience				
We will be learning about				
adaptation, inheritance				
and evolution.				

We will study how a variety of animals have adapted to their environments.



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We follow the journey of Charles Darwin to learn about evolution

and look at other scientists who had similar ideas before Darwin.

We also look at how we can inherit traits from our parents. We use Mr Men for a fun look at what offspring might look like.

Geography

We will be recapping our knowledge of the continents and oceans of the world. We will focus on the continent of North America, learning about its countries, physical and human geography and climates, comparing it to the UK.

We will begin to look at the effects of climate change and key activists in the climate change debate such as Greta Thunberg and David Attenborough.

We will also look at current stories in the news related to climate change, such as the Californian wildfires. We use the children's Newspaper 'First News' and Newsround to keep up-to-date with

PSHE

We will focus on **Being Me in My World.**

We will be thinking about our goals for the year, learning how to be a good citizen and understanding how an individual's behavior can impact on a group.

PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- That there are universal rights for all children, but not all children have these rights met
- Their actions may affect other people locally and globally
- Understand how an individual's

French We will learn how to describe ourselves and

We will practise the verb 'etre' – to be and how to use this verb in the singular and the plural.

others.

We will learn how to describe personality traits in ourselves and others, how to describe what people look like and how to say the date of your birthday.

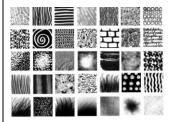
PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- Adjectives to describe personality traits
- Adjectives to describe how someone looks
- Birthday dates

We will learn about the technique of **Drawing Skills**

Art

We will learn how to use different widths of pen nibs to create a variety of lines and tones.



PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- will be able to create a variety of different lines
- will become more confident at handling the

PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- Humans, animals and plants have adapted to survive in their environments
- Evolution is a process which happens through adaptations over hundreds, thousands or even millions of years

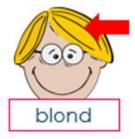
current affairs.



PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT:

- The universal divisions of the earth and use them correctly in geographical conversations
- Read maps and use atlases in order to located continents, countries, counties and cities around the world
- Recognise how human activities can cause changes to the environment
- How to interpret other people's argument for change, analysing their viewpoints
- Make a plausible case for environmental change

- behaviour can impact on a group.
- Understand how democracy and having a voice benefits the school community
- Singular and plural
- Masculine and feminine



- different widths of pens
- will be able to use line to create tone
- will be aware of the differences between mediums





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PE	ICT	British Values	Christian Value	Key vocabulary
We will be using the Real PE scheme to improve our agility and reaction. Each day, we will also complete the Daily Mile and track our progress over the half term to measure fitness and stamina. PE days: USA: Monday and Wednesday. INDIA: Monday and Thursday PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT: Why we need to warm up and cool down. Demonstrate quick reactions Demonstrate co-ordination and balance	In ICT we will plan and create an app Children will begin by learning e-safety rules. They will recap how to use basic computer skills such as saving and finding the right programme. They will also practise how to log on to Google Classroom. Logging on safely Basic file management (saving and naming files) Finding the right programme Using the Internet and WWW safely Using search effectively E-Safety We will be studying the topic We are Game Developers	During whole school worship, we will be focusing on Democracy . We will be thinking about democracy and what we do in our school to support this. The children will have the opportunity to become a representative for their class as a school councillor. We will consider how democracy works around the world by keeping up with current affairs and the news.	Each half term, the whole school concentrates on a Christian value. This is through whole school worship, class assemblies and self-reflection. This half term, we will be thinking about Thankfulness. We will consider what we are thankful for through whole school and class worship, using activities such as reflection, discussion and drama.	Your child will be learning these key words over the next half term: offspring inheritance variations characteristics adaptation habitat environment continent country city town climate extinction pollution emissions hemisphere equator rhythm well-being diversity equality

 Identify speed and correct response to changing situations. Identify strengths and areas to improve in performance. 	 PUPILS WILL KNOW THAT: How to design programs that accomplish specific goals How to write programs to accomplish specific goals How to control or stimulate physical systems How to solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts 			
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