



### English

This half term, our guided reading novel will be Diver's Daughter by Patrice Lawrence. We will also be reading a range of non-fiction. Children will be writing poems, non-chronological reports and recounts in character. The children will continue to develop a more fluent style of joined handwriting. Through proofreading and editing, they will become increasingly aware of what makes a quality piece of writing.

### Maths

We will continue learning about decimal numbers for a large part of this half term. We will then move on to percentages. Children will learn about the clear links between fractions, decimals and percentages. Towards the end of term, we will move on to geometry. This will include learning about different types of angles and lines and using this knowledge to solve problems with quadrilaterals.

### Science

This half term's topic is Life Cycles. The children will learn about the life cycles of various animals, including birds, amphibians, mammals and insects. The topic will continue at the start of the summer term, when learning will start with plant life cycles.

### We will also be learning:

#### History

We will be learning about the Tudors. Much of the learning will come through examination and evaluation of primary and secondary sources.

#### Music

The children's learning will be based around film soundtracks. We will be composing and performing our own soundtracks for a film action sequence. Computing

The children will develop their understanding of how computers work and communicate information and will have forest school on a Tuesday. P.E.

This half term, children will be continuing to develop the skills in invasion games, such as netball.

#### PSHE

Our focus this half term will be on citizenship. This covers a range of topics, including how parliament works and looking after the planet.

#### French

Children will be developing their confidence in using French sentences to describe things, including family members and friends.

#### Art & Design

This half term, children will be exploring installation art and creating their own piece for our termly exhibition.

#### R.E.

Children will discover more about creation stories. The main focus will be on the Christian story of creation and how this sits with science.

### School Day:

- 8:40 – 3:15

### Uniform:

- Holdbrook school sweatshirt
- Plain grey or black trousers, skirt or shorts
- Plain black shoes or trainers

### PE Days:

- FRIDAY

### Forest School:

- TUESDAY

### HOMEWORK:

- Read every night for at least 15 minutes
- Complete Lexia units
- Learn their Year 5 glossaries
- Learn the Year 5/6 statutory spelling list (copies are in their glossaries)
- Practise all times tables using TT Rockstars
- Develop mental maths skills using Numbots

### Staff:

- Mrs Downey
- Mrs Ramthor