

Year 5 Spring Overview 2025

English	Maths	Science
Our set text this term will be The Arrival by Shaun Tan-Comprehension and Writing Units will be linked to the text. Writing Instruction Writing- Origami Describing Characters and settings Narrative: narrating a character story and writing a flashback Poetry: Reading, analysing and comparing a range of poems; Developing an understanding of poetic devices; Writing poetry a reverse poem Comprehension Developing VIPERS Skills - Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explaining, Retrieval and Summary PEE Paragraphs Identifying structure, themes and the pictorial choices made by the author and the impact it has on the reader Spellings Weekly learning of the statutory spellings - NC 2014, Dictionary work and Thesaurus work. In class, learning different spelling rules and spelling strategies.	Fractions Dividing to make fractions Improper and mixed numbers Finding equivalent fractions Comparing and ordering fractions Adding, subtracting, multiplying fractions and mixed numbers Pecimals Reading and writing decimals Comparing decimals Writing decimals Writing decimals as fractions adding and subtracting decimals Rounding Percentages Comparing quantities Finding one amount as a percentage of another, finding percentages of amounts Geometry Types of angles Drawing and measuring angles Angle rules/finding missing angles Solving problems involving angles	Mixtures and Separation Methods - A focus on water. Dissolving and saturation. Fair Tests to determine variables affecting saturation point Making Crystals The Properties of Water The global water crisis. Separation methods and application: Filtering, sieving, decanting, evaporating, distilling, centrifuge, chromatography and magnetism.
Poetry Competition - Performance Poetry		
This half term every pupil will participate in our exciting Senior School Poetry Recital Competition.		

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Topics My School Subjects & My School Life - School subjects - Comparing school subjects - School timetable and time - Activities at break and lunch time - School facilities - Teachers - School uniform - School in France	The water cycle Rivers The journey of a river. The long profile Features of the upper, middle and lower course. • Types of erosion and transportation Introducing Map Skills • Grid squares • 4 and 6 figure grid references • Understanding how height is depicted on a map • Contour lines • Use of scales • Measuring distance Location Knowledge • Europe	Mediaeval realms Continuation of the Maya Pok-A-Tok Creating our own Mayan pyramids Mayan glyphs Mayan maths Calendars Rise and fall of Tikal Downfall of the Maya and their resistance to Spanish colonialism The Kingdom of Mali How do historians know about the Kingdom of Mali? The 'golden age' of the Kingdom of Mali - Mansa Musa The importance of Timbuktu The fall of the Kingdom of Mali

Art	Music	Technology
Chinese New Year, pen and ink Manga drawing based on Hokusai Hokusai The Wave and Mount Fuji Acrylic paint and collage, mixed media Found natural materials to make outdoor Art based on Andy Goldsworthy (3D)	 Developing an understanding of the inter-related dimensions and musical vocabulary Improvising musical patterns Exploring jazz Composing and notating music inspired by lyrics and poetry 	Continue Graphic Design Work and finish off the project from last term Visual Programming Intro Level Understand and apply coding concepts in Scratch Develop problem-solving and logical thinking skills Relate computational abstractions and simple programming code to on-screen actions Design simple algorithms to solve problems Sequence instructions to make things happen Use variables in programming structures Assemble code in procedural blocks Use simple Boolean operators in programming code Identify and use screen objects in their own Scratch game Carry out simple tests to debug their project Use the broadcast function in Scratch at a simple level Make good use of operators Critically analyse the limitations of their projects

PE and Games	PSHE	Religious and Moral Education
Gymnastic Activities: Practice and perform with control and accuracy a range of actions and balances needed for sequences Combine core skill so that they flow Develop sequences, ensuring order and linking together Perform in front audience, give and receive feedback Hockey Rugby.	Dreams and Goals When I grow up Jobs & Careers Young People in other cultures Supporting each other HEALTHY ME Smoking Alcohol Emergency First Aid Body Image Food	The founder of Sikhism: Guru Nanak Other spiritual leaders Symbol of Sikhism Where do Sikhs worship: features of a gurdwara How do Sikhs worship? Rites of passage for a Sikh person: naming a child; Dastaar Bondi, marriage ceremony and funeral Vaisaki, Bandi Chor Divas and Diwali