



Welcome back to purple class! Happy New Year!

We would like to welcome you to the Spring term and share an overview of what the children will be learning across the curriculum over the coming weeks and who will be supporting them to achieve their goals.

Miss Banton will be teaching on Monday, Tuesday morning, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday morning. Miss Shaw will be teaching on Tuesday afternoon, while Mrs Armstrong and Madame Dale will be teaching on Friday afternoon. Throughout the week, Mrs Armstrong will also be supporting learning in Year 5 and 6 and leading different groups.

English

Linking closely with our history learning, pupils will be writing a **chronological report** exploring how crime and punishment has changed throughout history. This unit will focus on organising information clearly and using appropriate non-fiction features.

Mathematics

Throughout the Spring term, children will develop and apply a wide range of mathematical skills. Topics covered will include:

- Ratio
- Algebra
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Area, perimeter and volume
- Statistics

Pupils will be encouraged to reason mathematically and apply their learning to problem-solving tasks.

Science

In the first half of the Spring term, pupils will study Animals, including Humans, learning about life cycles, nutrition and the human body. After half term, the focus will move to Light, where children will explore how light travels, how we see, and how shadows are formed.

Religious Education (RE)

During the first half of the Spring term, our big question will be: *How can following God bring freedom and justice?* Pupils will explore how religious beliefs can influence behaviour and encourage fairness and responsibility.

In the second half of the term, we will move on to our next big question: *What did Jesus do to save human beings?* This unit focuses on key Christian beliefs and the significance of Jesus' life and teachings.

History

This term, our history topic is Crime and Punishment. Children will investigate how crimes, laws and punishments have changed over time and consider how attitudes towards justice have evolved. As part of our history unit, we will be going to the National Justice Museum which will bring this topic to life through real historical settings and experiences.

Geography

After half term, our geography learning will focus on the distribution of natural resources. Pupils will explore where resources are found around the world and why they are not evenly distributed.

Art

This half term, pupils will be studying birds as inspiration for a sculpture. They will design and create a wire bird sculpture, developing their understanding of shape, structure and form.

Design and Technology

After half-term, children will take part in a Design and Technology project where they will use a range of materials to design and build a marble run, developing their planning, construction and evaluation skills.

PE

PE lessons take place on **Monday and Tuesday**. Please ensure children come to school wearing their PE kit on these days.

We are looking forward to a busy and engaging Spring term and thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

The year 6 team