



Year 5/6 Curriculum Overview – Term 6



Theme title: What is the ‘Sunshine State’ really like?

Launch pad event: A carousel of American Activities

<p>English <i>Please ensure guided reading books are brought to school daily. Y6 will also receive weekly English homework.</i></p>	<p>In Year 5, will be studying stories from our literary heritage; this will include reading ‘Treasure Island’ by Robert Louis Stevenson. They will also be studying stories from other cultures. In Guided Reading Year 5 will mix between whole class novels and be reading from a variety of genres. Year 6 will be reading class novels with a focus on both modern and historical fiction including ‘Once’ by Morris Gleitzman and the English work will be based around these texts.</p>	
<p>Maths <i>Maths homework is set every Thursday and should be returned to school every Tuesday.</i></p>	<p>This term in Maths there will continue to be a focus on improving mental maths skills including rapid recall of known number facts and tables. Children will learn about data handling, shapes and measures, including time, as well as calculations. Year 6 will be taking part in a variety of Maths activities and projects.as well as be consolidating their learning in preparation for secondary school.</p>	
<p>Science</p>	<p>This term we will be learning about Earth and Space. We will find out about the other planets in the solar system and how they move in relation to the sun. We will also learn to explain scientific phenomena including: why we have day and night; the phases of the moon and the Earth’s orbit around the Sun.</p>	<p>Our cross-curricular work will include learning about distances and comparing common everyday objects to gain an understanding of the relative sizes of, and distances between, planets within our solar system.</p>
<p>History</p>	<p>In History, we will be studying significant events in Florida’s history, such as Columbus’ expedition to America, the changes in the Seminole Nation and the moon landings.</p>	<p>Our cross-curricular work will included biographical writing as well as recounts, letters and explanations.</p>
<p>Geography</p>	<p>We will be focussing on the state of Florida, looking at the climate, tourism and comparing it to a region of the UK. We will learn about Florida’s natural resources and consider how these add to their economy.</p>	<p>Our cross-curricular work will include persuasive writing as well as learning about extreme weathers.</p>
<p>Computing</p>	<p>In computing this term, we will be developing our programming skills using Microbits. We will learn how to Design, write, and debug programs that accomplish specific goals, including controlling or simulating physical systems, as well as solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts</p>	
<p>Art</p>	<p>In Art we will be learning about animation as an art form. We will look at the work of American animators such as Walt Disney and Hanna Barbera, and create our own comic book characters for a flip book.</p>	
<p>DT</p>	<p>This term we will be learning about some typical American foods and have a go at making healthy hamburgers; creating our own recipes for gourmet burgers!</p>	
<p>P.E <i>Children will need to wear PE kits to school on their PE day.</i></p>	<p>In outdoor PE we will be learning how to play Cricket. In indoor PE, we will be developing our dance skills, learning to do American style rock ‘n’ roll dancing.</p>	
<p>R.E</p>	<p>We will consider in depth different religious and spiritual ways of life through exploring the three important ideas of harmlessness, grace and community.</p>	
<p>P.S.H.E</p>	<p>We will learn about different communities and what it means to part of a community, identifying ways in which we can have a positive impact on the society around us. Year 6 will also be taking part in transition sessions in order to prepare for their move to secondary school.</p>	

Ways in which you could support next term’s curriculum at home:

Books you could read	Places you could visit together	Other activities
Traditional Native American Stories Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume Books by Dr Seuss, EB White or other American authors Horrible Geography – Stormy Weather	An American-style diner	Watch Pochahontas Rock ‘n’ Roll dance lessons!