**Curriculum Overview Year 5 and 6 Autumn 2023**

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| **English**  As readers, we will be focussing on reading comprehension skills such as skimming and scanning, identifying main ideas and predicting events using our Hagstone story. We will follow the NC for spelling, looking at spelling rules, ways to remember spellings and learn spelling lists every week. We will use spellingframe.com to help with this. Handwriting will be taught weekly. As writers, we will be developing our fiction and non-fiction through a variety of genre. We will look at the power of imagery in poetry through the eyes of Alfred Noyes’ poem ‘The Highwayman’. The children will be looking at persuasive ways to write and develop our use of powerful adjectives and super sentence openings. We will learn about auto/biographies in order to write about famous Tudors. Additionally, we will begin by delving into the world of Shakespeare, studying Macbeth, where we will also involve dramatic convention. | **Art & Design**  Drawing Tudor portraits and self- portraits. Collaging Tudor roses. Studying significant artists of the period. Macbeth scene art. The Highwayman - A Ghostly Galleon artwork and wanted posters! | **R.E.**  We will look at how and why Christians use the Bible, People of Faith and Christmas around the World. |
| **Mathematics**  The children will access a daily lesson including a mixture of number work, including place value to 10 million and the use of 4 operations on whole numbers, as well as fractions and decimals, position and direction. Maths teaching will also include a focus on arithmetic strategies and the developing of reasoning skills across the maths curriculum. Multiplication tables are visited weekly, including the rehearsal of common multiples, factors and prime numbers. | **Design & Technology**  Making Tudor houses.  Modelling Tudor cups.  Use of sewing techniques, including strengthening and stiffening.  Design and make a Tudor purse or bookmark. | **Geography/History**  History – Tudor Times  The Tudors were a family of five rulers and 118 years that changed the lives of English people. We will question who these Kings and Queens were and the legacy they left behind.  Geography – Trading Nations.  Trading today and through different periods of History. We will explain the UK’s trade links with other countries including Europe and America. |
| **Science**  Science teaching this term will focus on Evolution and Inheritance, exploring both Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace theories. Scientific evidence will be explored from plants and animals to support these theories. After half-term we look at Light - how we see, shadows, reflection and refraction. We will learn about Isaac Newton’s theory. | **Modern Languages**  Talking about us, school subjects and opinions plus City life. Celebrating the EDL (European Day of Languages). | **Music**  Rhythm Pack, playing a tuned instrument – the recorder & reading treble clef.  BBC Schools Music – Macbeth. Compose, sing and perform; Tudor music & Christmas. |
| **ICT**  Word processing using Google Docs  Research  Online Safety | **PE**  This term PE will take place on Monday and Wednesday and will include; Athletics and Basketball . |