



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Guildford
The Way, The Truth, The Life

Year 5

Autumn Term Curriculum Map

English

Journey: parts of speech, diary entry

Tom's Midnight Garden: setting description, informal letter, fantasy narrative

The Highwayman: poetry features and performance, sequels

Hidden Figures: third person recount



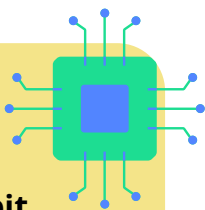
Guided Reading

Tom's Midnight Garden
The Highwayman

Spelling

A blend of tricky words from the Y5/6 statutory list with systematic spelling pattern teaching. High-value vocabulary is secured through a clear weekly sequence, while also revisiting and applying key spelling rules to strengthen long-term accuracy.

Computing



Programming: Micro:bit

Designing, coding and testing purposeful digital projects, building confidence with block-based programming and developing problem-solving skills through creative, hands-on computing.

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Electrical Systems: Wobble Bots

Teaching pupils how electrical systems power and control movement, as they design, build and refine a simple motor-driven robot, developing confidence in circuits, components and purposeful problem-solving through hands-on engineering..



Maths

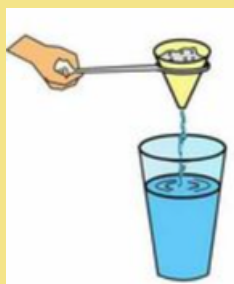
Number and place value: Reading, writing, and comparing numbers up to 1,000,000 across two units.

Addition and subtraction: Formal column methods and multi-step problem solving.

Multiplication and division: Introducing factors, multiples, and early formal methods.

Fractions: Comparing, ordering, and calculating with fractions and mixed numbers.

Science



Materials:
Mixtures and separation, properties and changes.

PE

Football
Dance
Swimming
Gymnastics



Art

Sculpture and 3D: Interactive installation

Exploring contemporary sculptural practice, how artists use space, movement and audience participation to create interactive artworks.

French

Monster Pets: introducing pupils to key French vocabulary and simple sentence structures by describing imaginative pets, building confidence in spoken language, reading and basic grammar through fun, creative character-based activities.

RE

To Know You More Clearly (Day by Day):

Branch 1: Creation and Covenant
Branch 2: Prophecy and Promise

RSHE

Created and Loved by God

Unit 1: Story Session: Calming the Storm

Unit 2: God is Calling you, Under Pressure, Do you want a piece of cake? Self-talk and classroom shorts

History

British history: Were the Vikings raiders, traders or something else?

Viking life, culture and impact on Britain through enquiry-led learning, hands-on investigation and rich historical sources



Geography

What is life like in the Alps?

Building understanding of Alpine geography, exploring human settlement, physical features and how people adapt to life in a challenging mountain environment through enquiry-based geographical study.



Music



Music in Nature: Chords and melodies

Exploring how the natural world inspires musical composition, developing secure understanding of chords and melodic writing through creative, practical music-making.