Year 6 — Autumn 2







Literacy

We will appraise and write poetry in the month of remembrance, based upon the conflict and need for peace and understanding and issues within our novel.

We will write tales based upon Philip Pullman's Grimm Tales.

We will respond to pictures and produce independently chosen texts.



Geography
Global Ecosystems

Explore global ecosystems and their key features, including how plants and animals interact through food chains and food webs. Study the physical characteristics of tropical rainforests and investigate how different groups of people use these environments. Consider the threats facing rainforests and examine ways in which people are working to protect and conserve these important ecosystems.



Numeracy

This half term, we focus upon fractions. We will be able to add, subtract, divide and multiply fractions.

We will be able to identify fractions shown in different representations and find fractions of amounts. We will make links with decimals and percentages.

We will continue to develop our understanding of number and calculation through the context of measure.

We will visualise 3D shapes and learn associated vocabulary.

Science
Electricity

We will explore how voltage and the number of cells affect components in an electrical circuit, investigating changes in the brightness of bulbs and loudness of buzzers. Pupils will compare and explain how different components function, including the effect of switches, and learn to construct and represent simple circuits using recognised circuit symbols.

Computing

Developing spreadsheet skills in Excel, including formatting data, using functions and formulas, creating charts, and sorting and filtering information. Children will progress to using more advanced functions and combine their skills to design and create effective, purposeful spreadsheets for a range of real-world applications.

RE
Prophecy and Promise

In this branch children will: encounter some of the women of salvation history from the Old Testament; compare the Lucan and Matthean infancy narratives noting Luke's affirmation of the role of women in the story of salvation; recognise in Mary a 'true protagonist' of salvation history and the fulfilment of Old Testament promises; consider Vespers (Evening Prayer) and its singing out of the Magnificat as the song of the Church; and, relate to Christian women today who are responding to God's call in their life.

Latin

Chapter 3 – Work, Work, Work This chapter focuses on verbs but revisits nouns and adjectives. Children begin to build up a bank of vocabulary. They learn that in Latin, the end of the verb shows who is doing the action and that the language does not have a word for I, he or they but it is expressed by the verb ending, e.g. scribe, scribit, scribunt (I write, he writes, they write)

Design and Technology
Textiles: Bags

We will be designing pattern pieces, making a bag for a specific user and thinking about aesthetics and functionality.

PE

Games– Netball Throwing and catching
Gymnastics—Matching and Mirroring.

PSHE

Module 1: Created and Loved by God continued

UKS2 Module One: Created and Loved by God explores the individual. Rooted in the teaching that we are made in the image and likeness of God, it helps children to develop an understanding of the importance of valuing themselves as the basis for personal relationships.

Music

Christmas Performance.
Classroom Jazz/Blues—We will listen to and appraise Jazz music. We will use instruments to improvise in a Jazz style and know about notes and specific