

We are pleased to be able to share with you the curriculum content which your child will cover this term. Please get in touch if you have any questions.

English - Reading

This term, we are reading the novel: *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

In reading lessons, children will continue to develop their skills with retrieval and inference. They will read a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts.

Parents can help at home by reading with their child and signing their reading record every day.

English - Writing

Writing to inform - A non-chronological report about Southall using newspaper reports.

Writing to persuade - A letter based on *Holes* by Louis Sachar.

Grammar

We will continue to build on and expand upon the children's knowledge of grammar, looking especially this term at:

- root words, prefixes, suffixes/word endings

Spellings:

- **Year 5 and 6 statutory spelling words**

Mathematics

This half term we will cover the following topics:

- Fractions
- Position and direction

Please support your child by completing set homework in their CGP book and logging into Mathletics each week.

Our calculation policies can help you to understand the methods your child has been taught. You can find these in the Mathematics section of our school website.

Science - How do we know that living things have changed over time?

Children will discuss the discoveries of Charles Darwin and Mary Anning. They will understand how evolution has changed living things over time.

Talk to your child each week about what they have learned. BBC Bitesize has good videos and questions to support home learning. We will post an investigation on Google Classroom that you could try at home.

Punjabi - Pupils will have a Punjabi lesson every week, which is taught by a specialist teacher. Please help them to learn more by speaking, reading and Punjabi at home if possible.

Physical Education - Friday afternoon

This term, pupils will focus on Basketball and Gymnastics. Please ensure that they have the correct PE kit with them every week.

Sikh Studies - *What does Jap Ji Sahib mean?*

By the end of this term, children will be able to describe the importance of the following:

- Understand what is Jap Ji Sahib.
- What the 1st Pauri of the Jap Ji Sahib means.
- How reciting the Jap Ji Sahib make them feel.
- Choose the most important lines and write an explanation / summary.

Geography - *How has Southall changed in the last century?*

Children will learn all about how Southall and its surrounding area has changed in terms of land use and population and investigate the changing demographic of Southall throughout the 21st century.

**Religious Education**

We are continuing to learn more about Judaism. We will be learning more about the history of the religion and understand the laws Jewish people follow.

Computing - Digital Literacy - *How can you keep yourself safe on the Internet?*

Children will explore the rules and principles for keeping safe online, how to recognise risks, harmful content and contact, and how to report them.

PSHE - Anti-bullying and our society

We will be learning about types of bullying during anti-bullying week and how to help our society.

Art - *How do artists draw people?*

Children will understand how artists draw people focusing on techniques such as: proportion, shading, texture, tone and shape.

Ideas for parents to support learning in school

- Providing a sketching pencil and pad.
- Discussions around how Southall has changed in parents/grandparents lifetime.
- Keeping newspapers to read with your child.