

Woodpecker Hall Academy Learning Web: Year 6 Spring 1

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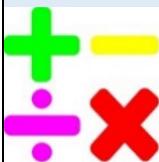
This term the children will be selling their own products made during the 'Make do and mend' textiles unit to raise funds for their end of Year 6 trip week in the summer term.

Key Dates:



Year 6 Money Ready workshop – Tuesday 6th January 2026
 Classes 6O & 6M HMS Belfast visit – Tuesday 13th January 2026
 Classes 6B & 6E HMS Belfast visit – Wednesday 14th January 2026
 Mock SATs – Week beginning 26th January 2026
 Cultural event- Friday 30th January 2026
 Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 10th February 2026
 INSET day – Friday 13th February 2026

Maths



In Maths, pupils will explore 2D and 3D shapes, learning to draw and classify them, find missing angles and use nets to build 3D shapes. They'll solve problems involving shapes, measurements, and converting between units of length, mass and volume. The children will also work with negative numbers, rounding and generating number sequences. In addition, they will develop their skills in long multiplication and division, tackling problems that combine the four operations preparing them to apply these concepts in real-world contexts.

English



In whole class reading, the children will explore a variety of text types designed to capture their interest and develop their comprehension ability. In writing, they will explore the novel *Goodnight, Mr. Tom* by Michelle Magorian, focusing on writing a flashback narrative inspired by William's memories of life in London and will examine the contrasts between his experiences in the city and the countryside. Additionally, they will develop their non-fiction writing skills by creating a balanced argument on whether parents should take children on holiday during term time, presenting their ideas in an informative leaflet.

Music



In music, the children will be learning to play the keyboard and will play pieces starting on the note They will understand rhythms using different note and rest lengths and improve their playing skills. They'll create melodies, work with other instruments and bring everything together in a performance.

PSHE: Dreams & Goals



In PSHE students will identify their strengths, set achievable goals, discuss global issues as well as and explore ways to work with others to make a positive difference.

Spanish



Children will learn vocabulary for places in town, days of the week and telling the time. They will also practise talking about leisure activities and preferences, while revisiting key sports vocabulary to build confidence in speaking Spanish.

Physical Education



Gymnastics

Children will create gymnastic sequences with a partner, focusing on matching, mirroring and fluent movements using apparatus. They will explore counterbalance, counter tension and group work, developing more complex sequences with variations, contrasts and changes in speed while evaluating performances.

Football

The children will develop their football skills by improving passing, dribbling and movement to keep possession and score. They will apply the rules of the game in mini matches and learn how to switch quickly between attacking and defending.

Design & Technology



In D&T, children will be making upcycling products based around WW2's 'Make do and mend' campaign. They will explore and research existing textile products and learn about key creators and inventors in the world of textiles. They will develop practical skills such as threading needles and using different stitching techniques. Using this knowledge, pupils will design and make their own textile product then evaluate it by considering how well it meets the needs of its user.

Computing



In computing, children will learn to collect and build a data set in a spreadsheet, formatting it effectively. They will explore using formulas to calculate and manipulate data, applying these to various tasks like event planning. Students will also learn to choose appropriate methods to present their data clearly.

RE: Sanatana Dharma (Hinduism)



This half term, Year 6 will explore Sanatani beliefs in Karma, Samsara and Moksha, learning how these ideas influence good living. They will examine how Karma and Dharma guide choices and actions, express views on life after death and create symbolic art to reflect how their beliefs shape their lives.

History: WW2



In history, children will investigate the causes and consequences of World War II, focusing on the Allies and Axis powers. They will analyse key events such as the evacuation of children, the Battle of Britain, rationing and the role of women and begin to build an understanding of how these impacted society.

