



Wood End Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 | Spring 1 Term 1 | 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to the new year and hope you all had a joyous festive season. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. To see out the spring term, we have 6 weeks of exciting, creative and interactive learning, which will help the children settle back into school life. Pupils will be learning about South America (Geography), Light (Science) and our English and Maths lessons will continue daily, as well as our reading lessons. Please ensure daily reading at home and that reading is recorded. New vocabulary should be practised and used in school and at home (where possible).

Below is a breakdown of the skills and knowledge to be covered in each subject through this topic.

English:

We will be reviewing and developing our descriptive writing skills this term by learning how to write an exciting adventure story. Lessons will focus on figurative language techniques (metaphors, similes and five senses) and how punctuation can be used for effect in writing too. We will continue working on sentence types and delve deeper into Year 6 grammatical terminology. After this, we will be looking at the features of newspapers.

Reading:

Children will be reading 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll and delve into World War Two texts alongside this.

They will be developing reading with expression and using a variety of skills to answer comprehension questions.

Reading Records should be signed and brought to school every week.

Mathematics:

This term, children will be focusing on:

Using simple formulae and express missing number problems algebraically

Recognising place value of each digit in decimal numbers

Multiplying decimals by 10, 100 and 1000

Converting between fractions and decimals

Multiplying and dividing decimals by single digit numbers

Developing deeper understanding of percentages as part of 100

Understanding different methods of working out percentages of amounts

Finding 1% and multiples of 1%

Working out the missing values e,g 30% Of _ = 60

Convert, order and solve problems involving percentage, fractions and decimals

Computing:

This term pupils will be learning about 'Blogging' and what are the features of successful blog writing. After that, they're going to learn how to be 'data detectives'.

Religious Education:

Pupils will be discussing the different ways that Christians in different denominations worship.

Science:

This term, pupils will explore **light**: they will learn how we see, how a shadow is formed and what is meant by refraction.

Our final lesson will be in the form of an assessment, reviewing all the learning from the term.

Geography:

Our topic this term is 'South America' and pupils will be learning about countries, environmental regions, major cities and rivers found on the continent. They will eventually use this knowledge to compare a region of South America to the UK.

Physical Education:

In PE, we are going to continue with REAL PE. Skills that we will practise and develop are static balance and dynamic balance.

Art/DT/ Music

In Art, children will be learning about Victorian Art and Architecture.

During Music, children will continue using the Ealing Music Scheme- Charanga.

Online learning:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

<https://www.busythings.co.uk/>

<https://play.trockstars.com/>