

MEET THE TEAM

Year 5 & 6 2025-2026





LOXWOOD
SCHOOL



YEAR 5 & 6

MULBERRY CLASS



CLASSROOM TEACHER

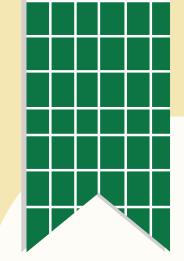




CHESTNUT CLASS



Every Wednesday in Year 5, Mrs Harder and Mrs Swann will alternate covering the class for half a day, while Mr Fiveash has PPA time (Planning, Preparation and Assessment). Every other Friday, Mr Fiveash will be out of class during the afternoon to have his ECT (Early Career Teacher) time. During this time, Miss Price will cover the class. In Year 6, Mrs Harder and Mrs Swann will alternate the PPA cover for half a day every Thursday.



WHOLESCHOOLBEHAVIOUR

Loxwood Learners' Code:

• We are kind, helpful and polite.



We are brave enough to make mistakes which show





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• We show respect by listening to others and taking care of our school.



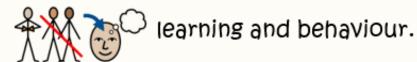
• We are curious about our world and how to look after it.



• We are a good friend.



• We will show independence by taking responsibility for our













GROWTH MINDSET





The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall. – Nelson Mandela

INDEPENDENCE

DEVELOPING A GROWTH MINDSET



INSTEAD OF	TRY THINKING		
I'm not good at this	What am I missing?		
I give up	I'll use a different strategy		
It's good enough	Is this really my best work?		
I can't make this any better	I can always improve		
This is too hard	This may take some time		
I made a mistake	Mistakes help me to learn		
I just can't do this	I am going to train my brain		
I'll never be that smart	I will learn how to do this		
Plan A didn't work	There's always Plan B		
My friend can do it	I will learn from them		

Our aim in Year 5 and 6 is to encourage independence, responsibility and prepare the children for secondary school.



YEAR 5 TOPICS

	TERM	TOPIC	
	AUTUMN	OUT OF THIS WORLD	
SPRING		ROOTS AND REALMS	
	SUMMER	THE EXPLORER	

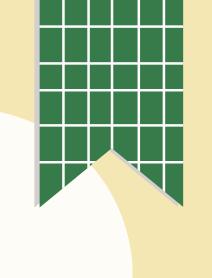




YEAR 6 TOPICS

TERM	TOPIC	
AUTUMN	INTO THE LIGHT	
SPRING	LAW AND ORDER	
SUMMER	SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST	









SCIENCE

Earth and Space

Describe the movement of the Earth and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system. Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth. Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies. Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.

Forces

Explain that unsupported objects fall towards the earth because of the force of gravity acting between the earth and the falling object. Identify the effects of air resistances, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces. Recognise that some mechanisms, including leavers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have greater effect.

PE

To play competitive games, to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

- Football (Y5/6)
- OAA (Y5/6)
 - Gymnastics (Y5/6)

Hockey (Y5/6)

- Fitness (Y6)
- Yoga (Y6)

MATHS

Place Value: Read, write, order, compare and round numbers to at least 1000000 & determine the value of each digit. Interpret negative numbers in context. Read roman numerals. Solve number and practical problems that involve all of the above.

Addition & Subtraction: Solve addition & subtraction multi-step problems in contexts deciding which operations & methods to use and why. Add & subtract mentally with increasingly large numbers. Add & subtract whole numbers with more than 4 digits including using formal written methods.

Multiplication & Division: Identify all multiples, factors and prime numbers. Multiply & divide numbers mentally drawing upon known facts. Multiply numbers up to 4-digits by 1-digit or 2-digit number using the formal written method. Divide numbers up to 4 digits by a 1-digit number using short division.

<u>Fractions:</u> Identify, name and write equivalent fractions. Read & write decimal numbers as fractions. Compare, order, add and subtract fraction.

RE

Forgiveness

Define forgiveness. Understand Jews follow the Ten Commandments and Yom Kippur. Understand Buddhists do not believe in god. Explore the eightfold path.

COMPUTING

Online Safety

Children will use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly and will be able to recognise acceptable or unacceptable behaviour and identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.



DT

Moonlit Magic

The children will be working with textiles to discover how to make a magical moon scene exciting and fun to hang up.

FRENCH

School Life

Children will apply previous knowledge of topic areas such as asking and answering questions in French, developing their vocabulary at the same time. They will use the pronouns il and elle and take part in a conversation with a partner.

ART

Retro-Futurism

To create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas. To improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing and painting with a range of materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, and paint]. Create a retro-futurism inspired mixed media piece of a view in Space.

RHE

- Class Charter R&R
- E-Safety
- Relationships
- Anti-Bullying Week

YEAR 5 AUTUMN TERM Out of this World!

GEOGRAPHY

Rivers

Children will find out why rivers are so important to the towns and villages that have developed by their banks. By looking at the features of rivers, and natural and human ways that rivers change over time, children will explore the life stories of rivers. They will also learn the name and locations of the major rivers in the UK and the world.

HISTORY

Kingdom of Benin - CE/AD 900-1300

Children will learn about where the ancient Kingdom of Benin was located and how it came to thrive, what the people there believed in and how they showed this in their artwork. They will explore western attitudes towards African civilisations, comparing the achievements, oral tales and artefacts of ancient Benin to those in Europe at the same time. The children will also learn about the story of Eweka and finally discover how European invaders threatened the civilisation of ancient Benin.

ENGLISH

Poetry

Poetic Language (Making the Ordinary Extraordinary)

Fiction

Persuasive letter

Non-Fiction

- Recount
- Tim Peake
- Non-Chronological report
- Planets of the Solar System

Fiction

'Cosmic' by Cottrell Boyce 'The nowhere Emporium' by M.A Rosa

Basic Grammar and Sentence Structure

We will recap everything they have learnt so far to ensure they are able to confidently use it within independent writing.

Throughout the year, the children will learn to use a wide range of punctuation taught so far. They will learn to proof read for spelling and punctuation errors and ensure their writing is cohesive.

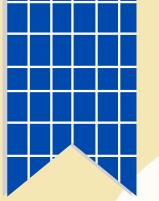
MUSIC

(Charanga)

Children will play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices. Children will listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.





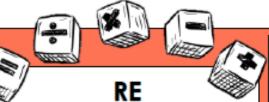


MATHS

Place Value: Use negative numbers in context and calculate intervals across zero. Read, write, order and compare numbers up to 10,000,000 and determine the value of each digit. Round any whole number to a required degree of accuracy. Solve number and practical problems.

Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division: Solve addition and subtraction using multi-step problems, deciding which operations to use and why. Perform mental calculations using mixed operations. Use estimation to check answers to calculations and determine levels of accuracy. Multiply and divide numbers up to 4-digit by a 2-digit whole number using the formal written methods.

Fractions: Associate a fraction with division and fraction equivalents. calculate decimal Compare and order fractions as well as add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. Recall and use equivalences between simple fractions.



Peace

Compare and contrast the concept of peace across religions. Look at symbolic people of peace and well known symbols of peace.

COMPUTING

Online Safety

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SCIENCE

Electricity and Light

Electricity:

Children will deepen their understanding of electricity by investigating how the brightness of bulbs and the loudness of buzzers can be affected by the number and arrangement of components in a circuit. They will explore and explain reasons for variations in these outcomes, developing skills in building and testing circuits.

Light:

Children will learn how light travels in straight lines and how this enables us to see objects. They will explore reflection, shadows, and how light behaves when it hits different surfaces, building on their understanding of how we use light in everyday life.

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FRENCH

The Time & Daily Routine Children will learn to tell the time in French, both when hearing and reading it. They will practise pronouncing times

accurately, including minutes. Pupils will also name daily activities and describe their routine in chronological order using time phrases.

MUSIC

Charanga

Children will play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices. Children will listen with attention to detail and recall sounds with increasing aural memory.

ART

Henry Moore

To create sketch books to record observations and create wartime scenes. To improve mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing and painting.

PE

To play competitive games, to develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance.

- Football with Mr Green
- Fitness
- Hockey with Mr Green

YEAR 6

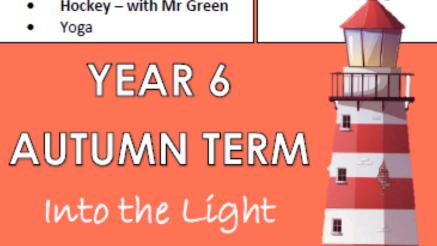
Into the Light

Yoga

RHE

Me & My World

- Class Charter R&R
- E-Safety





- Anti-Bullying Week

- Relationships



Fiction

Our main text will be:

by Emma Carroll

Non-Fiction:

'Letters from the Lighthouse

Explanation Text - How does the circulatory system work?

Narrative - Danger at the Lighthouse

Diary Recount - Diary of an Evacuee

Characterising Speech - Surviving the Air

ENGLISH

Poetry:

Blackout Poetry - using an extract from Letters from the Lighthouse.

Independent Writing:

Throughout the year, the children will learn to use a wide range of punctuation taught so far. They will learn to proof read for spelling and punctuation errors and ensure their writing is cohesive.

Make do and Mend!

DT

Children will learn basic sewing and repair techniques, and design and make a textile product from start to finish. Through upcycling, they will work sustainably and creatively, reflecting the spirit of the wartime 'Make Do and Mend' campaign.

GEOGRAPHY

Our Changing World (Coasts and Erosion)

To discover some of the many ways in which the world around them is changing. From coastal erosion to political changes, there are many factors at work. Children will learn about the structure of the United Kingdom and how its shape and geography have changed over thousands of years. Using an online database of photographs, children can explore how landscapes change.

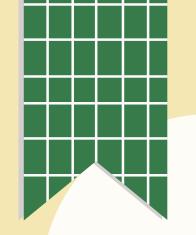


HISTORY

World War II (a local history study)

Children will learn about when and why World War II began and find out the key individuals and countries involved in World War II. They will learn about food rationing and how women contributed to the war effort, as well as the Holocaust and investigate key turning points in the war.





PE



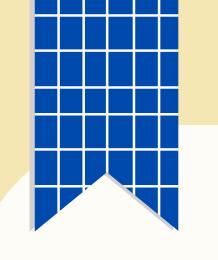
While we have days that we will usually do PE, this often changes with the nature of primary schools so it is essential your child has their kit in school <u>everyday</u>.



Long hair must be tied up
Watches must be removed
No bracelets or necklaces
Earrings must be removed / covered up







Year 5

Wednesday - Mr Green

Thursday - Teacher-led

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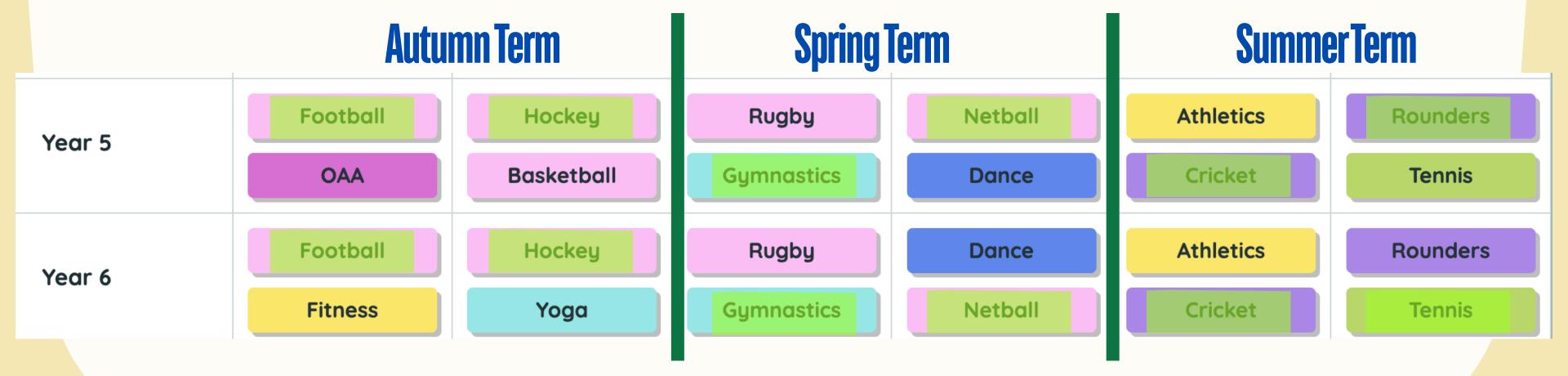
Year 6

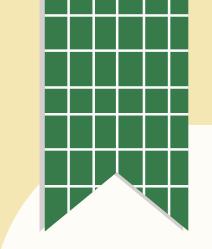
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Education

Wednesday - Mr Green

Thursday - Teacher-led





HOMEWORK



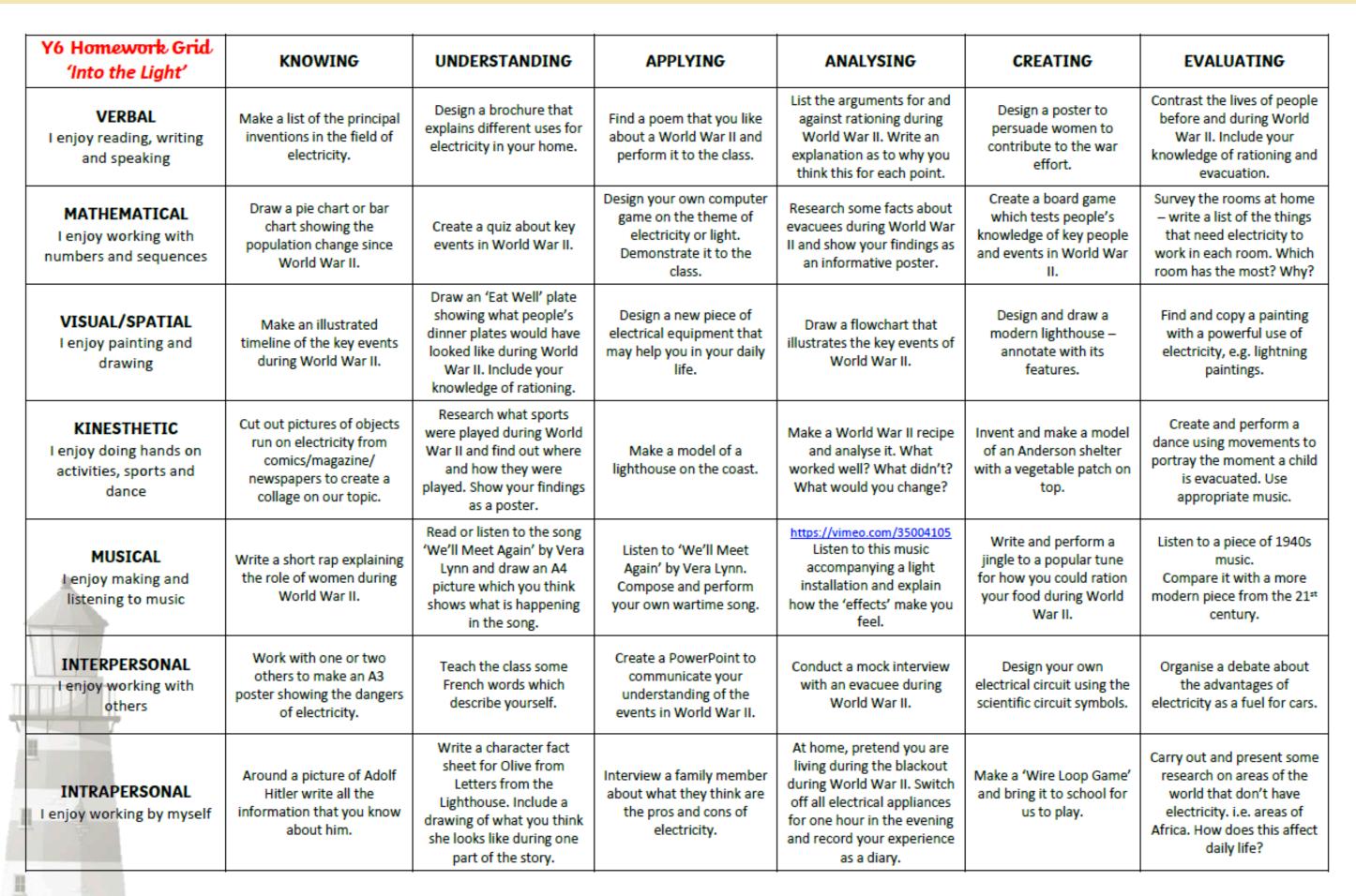


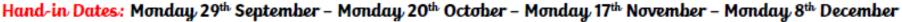
The children are given plenty of notice about homework.

SPELLING	No more weekly spelling sentences. Children will be bringing home some useful words with some strategies to help them practice. Statutory spellings will be on the class pages on the website which children can practise at home if they wish to.					
TIMES TABLES & ARITHMETIC	Times tables will be tested in class once a week. Arithmetic will be tested on a Friday. Each week, children need to identify an area to practise at home to help them improve the following week. Year 6 have optional units of study to complete on Learning by Questions. Cache week, will be tested on a Friday. Each week, children need to identify an area to practise at home to help them improve the following week. Year 6 have optional units of study to complete on Learning by Questions.					
READING	We expect children to be reading at least three times a week and to be heard by an adult at least once a week. The stamina required for the SATs involves sustained reading.					
HOMEWORK GRID Each term, there will be a new 'Independent Homework Grid' available on the class page of the swebsite. There will be set 'hand in' days. Each task should be taken from a different row and column amount of time a child chooses to spend on a project is up to them. Please focus on the presented						

amount of time a child chooses to spend on a project is up to them. Please focus on the presentation!

Y5 Independent Homework Grid Out of this World	<u>Knowing</u>	<u>Understanding</u>	<u>Applying</u>	<u>Analysing</u>	Creating	<u>Evaluating</u>
Verbal I enjoy reading, writing and speaking	Write an acrostic poem about one of the planets.	Complete a factfile on Neil Armstrong or any other famous astronaut/ cosmonaut.	Pretend you are an astronaut who has just discovered a new planet. Write a letter home to your family about the discovery.	Write a newspaper article announcing the first moon landing,	Write a story set in Space. Include: a beginning, a build-up, a problem, a solution and an ending.	What is the value and importance of space missions? Construct your opinion and present it to the class.
Mathematical I enjoy working with numbers and sequences	Research how far away each planet in the Solar system is from the Earth. How long would it take you to travel to all of them?	Research two different things that were invented because of Space travel.	Work out the distance between each planet and the Sun in miles, kilometres and metres.	Research and draw 3 constellations. Use the 'Star chart' app to help you if you can.	Can you make a poster about the size of planets and how far away they are from Earth?	Find how big each of the planets are. Without using a calculator, work out the difference between the size of each planet and the Earth.
Visual/Spatial I enjoy painting and drawing	Design and draw a picture of what you think an Alien would look like.	Paint a picture of a planet.	Make a set of 'Space' Top Trump Cards.	Design and make a robotic machine (model!) to walk on the moon.	Choose a Space picture that interests and intrigues you. Recreate it on paper using any materials you wish.	Make a 3D model rocket with a parachute to aid reentry. Evaluate its performance.
Kinesthetic I enjoy doing hands on activities, sports and dance	Imagine you had a time machine. What 5 questions would you ask a King from Benin?	Draw and label a map of the countries involved in the Space race?	Create a timeline of the History of Space travel with pop-ups!	In Space, astronauts have to make sure they get the correct nutrients. Can you make a nutritious astronaut smoothie?	Research the phases of the moon and design a mini 'Moon Flick Book'. You should include a front cover, headings and any relevant information to each phase.	Create a model and explanation of how the earth spins on its axis as it orbits the sun.
Musical I enjoy making and listening to music	Make and perform your own piece of 'Space- themed' music. Use instrument/s of your choice.	Make a radio recording announcing the opening for your own 'Emporium'	Create a new mnemonic that will help others in the class remember the names of the planets and their order from the sun. Present it as a song!	Research and answer the question- Would you be able to hear music in Space?	Using an app (like iMovie) act out and record a video as though you are an astronaut going into Space	Listen to Gustav Holst's 'The Planets'. Which planet's music do you prefer? How does the music relate to this planet?
Interpersonal I enjoy working with others	Make a space mobile to hang in the classroom.	Pretend you are a Space expert. Ask someone to quiz you to test your knowledge.	With a partner, make a Solar System model board	Create your own device that measures 1 minute exactly, each time it is used.	With a family member, use scrap paper, foil, sweet wrappers and other materials around the house to create your own space collage.	Make a space/Kingdom of Benin board game
Intrapersonal I enjoy working by myself	Find out facts about the space missions. What interesting facts can you present?	Create a "Moon Diary". Every night look at the moon and draw and describe what you see.	Prepare a lesson to teach the class about an aspect of Space you enjoy (Be ready to teach it!) https://www.bbc.co.uk/b	Watch and take notes on the BBC bitesize KS2 Earth and Space website. bitesize/topics/zkbbkqt	Create and film your own news broadcast about discovering a new planet.	Keep a sky at night journal for a whole week. Write about or draw everything you can see in the sky.





These are the minimum home work requirements. You are more than welcome to do more. Each task ideally to be taken from a different row and column.





WOODLAND LEARNING

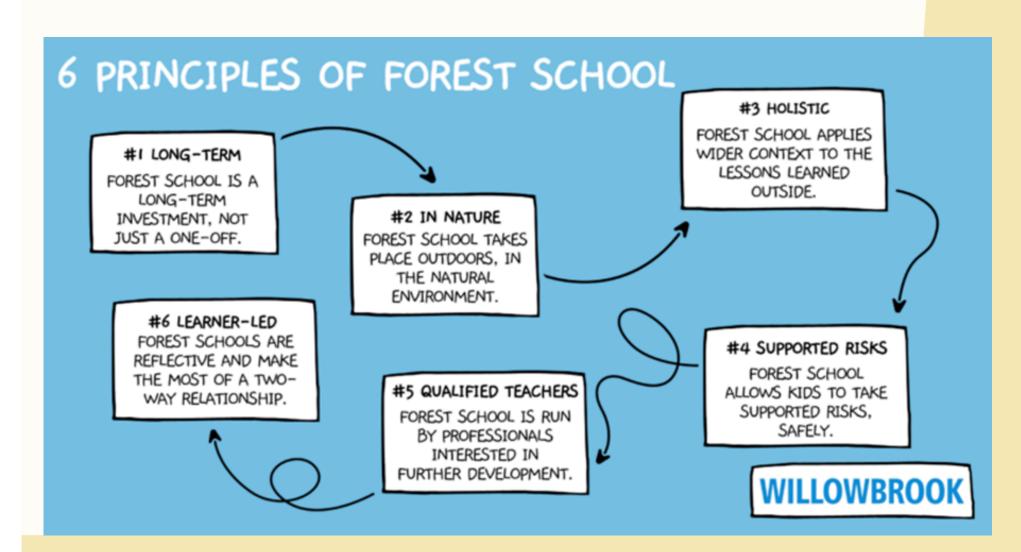


Woodlands Learning Kit List

- Coat
- -Jumper
- -Waterproof trousers or trousers that can get muddy
- -Spare socks
- -Wellies or boots (named)
- -Hat
- -Gloves (weather dependent)
- -Spare plastic bag for muddy kit
- *no football kits
- *no crop tops
- *no shorts

Please come to school dressed ready for Woodlands Learning, any extra kit in a named bag.

We follows the ethos of Forest School and are supported by the work of the National Forest School Association.





^{*}Shorts and short sleeved shirts are not suitable

WOODLAND LEARNING



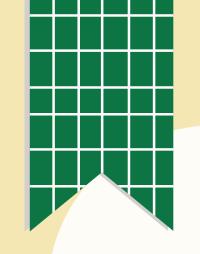
For the Autumn Term, Year 3 and Year 5 will have Woodland Learning on the following dates:

Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	
All Wednesdays	All Wednesdays	
10 th September, 24 th September, 8 th October,	12 th November, 26 th November, 10 th December	
22 nd October		

For the Autumn Term, Year 1 and Year 6 will have Woodland Learning on the following dates:

Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	
All Thursdays	All Thursdays	
11 th September, 25 th September, 9 th October,	13 th November, NOT 27 th November due to	
23 rd October	INSET Day, 11 th December	





TRIPS THIS YEAR



	YEAR 5	YEAR 6	
<u>Term</u>	Term Trip/Workshop		Trip/Workshop
AUTUMN 1-NIGHT RESIDENTIAL		AUTUMN	WWII WORKSHOP (IN SCHOOL)
SPRING	SPRING GEOGRAPHY FIELDTRIP		FORENSIC WORKSHOP (IN SCHOOL)
SUMMER	MAYA WORKSHOP (IN SCHOOL)	SUMMER	4-NIGHT RESIDENTIAL

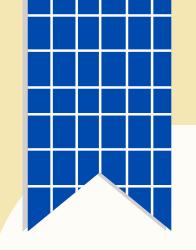
YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY



- Every child will have 1.5 hours on the Monday in 2 or 3 groups (level 1).
- If they are deemed to be safe, they will progress onto the road with an instructor per two children for 1 session (level 2).
- Please make sure your child can ride their bike proficiently. Bikeability aims to teach
 the children to ride safely on the road and to be aware of road safety. IT DOES
 NOT TEACH THE CHILD TO RIDE A BIKE. If your child cannot ride confidently on the
 playground, they will not be taken onto the road.

Price: usually around £20 per child (tbc)

DATE TO BE CONFIRMED NEARER THE TIME (USUALLY IN MARCH)



KS2 SATS 2026



The statutory key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 11 May to Thursday 14 May 2026

There will be a SATs meeting with more information on the logistics of the week and our preparation nearer the time.

However, the children will be practising throughout the year to build confidence and stamina.

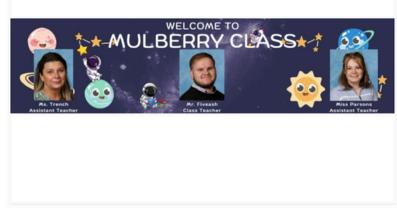




If you have any general questions, please feel free to email us via the office using messages@loxwoodschool.com.

We look forward to talking to you in more detail about your child during Parents' Evening. The dates will be confirmed soon via the Up to the Minute.





Mulberry Class Teacher is Mr Fiveash Mulberry Class Assistant Teachers are Ms. Trench & Miss Parsons

Welcome to the

Mulberry Class Page

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely and restful Summer break. Our topic for the Autumn term will be 'Out of this world'.

In **English**, we will be reading the book **'Cosmic'** by Cottrell Boyce. Through our topic of space we will be looking at recounts written by Astronauts, before writing our own diary entries from the perspective of an astronaut.

In Maths, we will be starting with Place Value. From there, the children will look at Addition, subtraction, Multiplication and Division, before delving into Fractions.

In History, children will learn about the Kingdom of Benin - CE/AD 900-1300. The children will learn about where the ancient Kingdom of Benin was located and how it came to thrive, what the people there believed in and how they showed this in their artwork. They will explore western attitudes towards African civilisations, comparing the achievements, oral tales and artefacts of ancient Benin to those in Europe at the same time. The children will also learn about the story of Eweka and finally discover how European invaders threatened the civilisation of ancient Benin.

This presentation will be uploaded to the Class Pages where you can find all the information we have shared today.



Staying Safe Online



Chestnut Class Teacher is Miss Wright Mrs O'Mara is our full time TA

> Welcome to the Chestnut Class Page

Welcome to your first term in Year 6. We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer break! As we begin the new school year, we're looking forward to working with you and making the most of your final year at Loxwood Primary School.

Our Autumn Term topic in Year 6 is called 'Into the Light'.

In English, we will be reading Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll. This term, the children will be developing their understanding of grammar, punctuation and sentence structure, with a focus on using these skills to write clearly and accurately. They will explore a range of exciting texts and genres, including writing a narrative called 'Danger at the Lighthouse', a World War II evacuee story and learning how to accurately characterise speech to include in their writing. The children will write a diary recount from the perspective of an evacuee and produce an explanation text on a topic of their choice, using an example about the circulatory system. In poetry, they will experiment with blackout poetry using an extract from Letters from the Lighthouse.

In **History**, we will be learning about **World War II**. We'll begin by exploring how and why the war started, before developing a deeper understanding of the key events that shaped the conflict. The children will learn about evacuation and rationing and how everyday life in Britain was affected.

In **Geography** this term, our topic is **Our Changing World**. The children will explore some of the many ways the world around us is constantly changing. From natural processes such as coastal erosion to human influences like political change, we'll examine the factors that shape our environment. We will look closely at the structure of the United Kingdom and investigate how its physical geography has evolved over thousands of years.