

Year 2 Autumn Term 2026

Geography As geographers we will be exploring our local area in 'Where do we live?' We will use compass directions, maps and aerial photos in our local fieldwork trip and also compare Bramhall to an area in the Atlas Mountains.

History As historians we will delve into the past to learn about the Great Fire of London - how it started, how it spread and what we have learned from it.

DT As designers and makers we will be investigating what makes a balanced diet and using this to design, make (and eat!) a healthy and delicious wrap.

PE
In addition to our weekly sports coach led session, as sports people will be focusing on team building, sending and receiving and yoga skills.

English We will explore the book **A River** by **Marc Martin** . The writing outcomes will be a circular narrative and letter. In the second half term we will

explore **The Night Gardener** by **Terry and Eric Fan** . The final writing outcomes will be a setting narrative and a diary entry. We will continue to develop our handwriting and spelling and grammar skills. Oracy skills will also be taught across the curriculum. Reading books will be changed every Friday.

Significant People: Jamie Oliver - chef. Kathe Kollwitz - artist.

Career links to our learning Historian, Geographer, chef, cook, dietician, road designer, ecologist, urban planner, artist

Maths We will follow White Rose which focuses on foundational concepts in Place Value, Addition & Subtraction, and Shape. Morning work will consolidate skills taught each week to develop automaticity and fluency.

Homework will be set on Friday each week to be returned by the following Thursday.

Art - Drawing and Painting As artists, we will look at the work of Kathe Kollwitz to create tone and shadow and then the work of Gillian Ayres and Frank Bowling will help us develop our application of colour mixing, tone and texture skills through the medium of paint.

French As French linguists we will be learning new vocabulary through our topic 'Fancy dress party' and 'Let's Go to the Park'.

PSHE and RSE As a thinker in PSHE and RSE we will look at ways we can look after our bodies building healthy habits such as cleaning our teeth, movement and getting enough sleep. and connecting with others to build safe and caring relationships. Our myHappyMind focus will be 'Meet the Brain'.

RE - As thinkers in RE we will explore 'What we can learn from sacred texts?' and develop this further by learning about Jewish beliefs and practices and the Christian Nativity story.

Computing As computer scientists, we will explore 'What is a computer?' and design our own invention with inputs and outputs. We will learn about algorithms and how to create, test and debug our own algorithms.

Music As musicians we will use instruments to represent animals and create call and response rhythms. We will learn how events, actions and feelings within stories can be represented by pitch, dynamics and tempo.

Science As scientists, we will learn all about **Animals, including Humans with a focus on Growth**. After half term, we will explore **Everyday Materials and their Uses** by looking at the properties and uses of fabric.