Great Gaddesden Church of England (VA) Primary School Year 5 & 6 Autumn 2 Curriculum Overview (Cycle A)



English	Maths	RE
In English this half term, we will be looking at Shakespear's classic - <i>The Tempest.</i> We will be using the text to write setting and character descriptions as well as a focus on dialogue. We will also be using the text <i>The Rain Player by DAvid Wisniewski</i> to help write instructions and diary entries	 In Maths, we will be learning about the following areas: Fractions: including; converting and comparing fractions, finding equivalent fractions and adding and subtracting fractions. Written methods for multiplication. Long division 	Religion or World View Focus: Christianity We will be discussing the big question: How do Christians show their belief that Jesus is God incarnate?
Science	Music	Computing
Our focus in Science lessons is 'Forces'. The children will learn to explain that unsupported objects fall towards the Earth because of the force of gravity acting between the Earth and the falling object. To identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces. To recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.	Mrs Cresswell will be teaching year 5 and 6 music every 2 weeks on a Tuesday afternoon. She will be using the 'Sing Up' program and this half term's unit is called 'Why we Sing'. As part of this unit, the children will learn simple song writing	This half term our focus for computing is 3D Modelling. The children will use a computer to create and manipulate three-dimensional (3D) digital objects. They will also design, construct and evaluate a digital 3D model of a physical object.
PE	DT	Geography
The children will have 2 P.E. lessons a week. One lesson will be taught by a specialist coach from Saracens who will be teaching hockey skills. The second lesson will be taught by the class teacher and will have a focus on handball	The children will be using their science knowledge of electrical circuits, to design and create a Christmas card or decoration that incorporates an electrical circuit	The children will be extending their knowledge of rivers and looking in depth at the causes and effects of coastal erosion
Spanish	Values	Trips/Enrichment
The children will be learning to describe family and friends in Spanish. They will learn to ask and answer questions to find out personal information, write a description giving personal information about someone in the third person and identify a person from a written description.	This term, our values of the month are the following:	 Forest School Visit to the water meadows (TBC) Carols at St Paul's Care Home (Date TBC) Pantomime 10th December Carol service- 18th December 4:00-5:00pm
	November Courage	
	December Hope	