

**English:** Daily English lesson

**Core Text:** Journey to the River Sea

We will immerse ourselves in Eva Ibbotson's award-winning masterpiece about a young girl called Maia and her adventures in the Amazon Rainforest. This will inspire our writing, helping us to produce vivid setting descriptions and personification poetry.

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We will read and enjoy Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell about a young girl and her journey through life. We will be producing a series of short, written outcomes inspired by this including a diary entry, letter and summary. This will help us sharpen our writing skills ready for year 6 and year 7.

**Computing:**

**Focus:** Flat File Databases

We will learn about, and create our own flat-file databases to order and answer questions about data, to solve problems and to create graphs and charts.

**Focus:** Video Editing

We will learn topic-based language and skill, such as capturing, editing and manipulating videos. We will reflect upon, and assess our own work.

**Whole School Project**

As part of our work on sustainability, we will be competing a whole-school project about climate action, with a focus on reducing, reusing and recycling materials and items. We will be developing our cultural capital and enhancing our school environment.

**Mathematics:** Daily mathematics lesson

(Y5 & Y6 National Curriculum Objectives)

We will continue our learning on Geometry and Measurement in year 5. Year 6 will focus on consolidation ahead of KS2 testing in May. In Summer 2, both years 5 and 6 will be revisiting and revising key learning through applied scenarios to secure our understanding.

## Year 5 and 6 Curriculum Plans

Summer Term 2026

### Our Core Values



**I CARE**



**Science:**

**Light** – We will explore the ways that light travels and how this can be put to use. We will learn about shadows and reflection and explore this in a range of activities.

**Electricity** – We will learn about electricity and how this can be used to power a range of devices. We will draw, label and build simple circuits and investigate resistance.

**Geography:**

**South America and the Amazon Basin**

In Geography, we will be turning our attention to the Amazon Basin and will be learning about the human and physical geography of this region. We will work on our map skills and consider important topics such as deforestation and its impact.

**DT: Frame Structures**

**We will be making moving toys with cams.**

We will review existing products available, explore how they work and then design, make and evaluate our own toys, showing our understanding of cams as moving components.

**PSHE/RSE:**

**Core Theme: Being My Best Self**

We will work on developing a growth mind-set, a healthy life style and set goals for our achievements.

**Core Theme: Growing and Changing**

This will cover aspects of Relationship and Sex Education. These lessons will be delivered at an age appropriate level, using anatomically correct terms.

**Curriculum Drivers:**

Behaviour for learning –

We are working hard to promote positive learning behaviours in UKS2 and want to encourage our pupils to take ownership of their learning. We are working on our active listening skills and our stamina for learning.

**Music:**

We will continue to use Charanga to listen and appraise, learn and perform a number of songs from a range of genres.

Poplar class will also learn to play the guitar with Mr Moss.

**School Aims:**

Duke Street Primary School aims to:

- provide a secure, caring and stimulating learning environment,
- promote self-discipline, moral values and self-esteem,
- set challenging yet realistic goals in order to allow each child and member of staff to reach his or her potential
- encourage an enthusiastic attitude to learning through a well-balanced and varied curriculum.
- work in partnership with parents to provide the best for each child in order to get the best from each child
- offer colleagues an enjoyable, positive environment in which to work, fostering both team commitment and the well-being of everyone within our school.

**RE: Christianity and Buddhism****Focus:**

We will continue learning about and from world religions focussing on the key question:

In what ways is life like a journey?

**School Expectations**

- We are kind and helpful
- We listen
- We are honest
- We work hard and take pride in our work
- We look after property

**Enrichment:**

We will experience a range of challenges and enrichment activities this term in-keeping with our topics! Year 6 will perform their end of year production as part of their personal development. All year groups will have the opportunity to swim this term and our half-termly enrichment days will continue.

**PE:****Focus: Athletics and Tennis**

We will practise and enjoy refining our fundamental movement skills and teamwork through field games and athletics. We will also develop our hand-eye coordination through Tennis.

**History:****Focus: The Ancient Maya**

Our History topic in Summer 2 will focus on the fascinating civilisation of the Ancient Maya. We will learn about how the Ancient Maya lived and explore questions about how their culture compares with ours today.

**British Values:**

Our work throughout the curriculum will promote the British Values of:

- Democracy
- Rule of Law
- Mutual Respect
- Individual Liberty
- Tolerance & harmony
- Responsibility/positive contribution
- Public Institution

