

### English

This term we will finish reading "Goodnight Mr Tom before moving on to books linked to our Americas topic: Holes by Kouis Sacher and "Escape to the River Sea" by Emma Carroll. These texts will support our fiction and non-fiction writing.

Following this, we will be reading "The Railway Children". Writing based on this text will include narrative and descriptive writing. We will continue to work through the KS2 spelling list, as well as investigating specific letter patterns and rules. Grammar lessons will look at word classes, sentence structure and use of a variety of punctuation marks.

### Maths

In maths we will finish calculations involving fractions before looking at converting between metric units. Then we will work on ratio and introduce algebra, before revisiting fractions and their relationship with decimals and percentages, including finding fractions and percentages of amounts. We will investigate perimeter and area in shape work and data handling. All aspects of maths will include applying mathematical knowledge to reasoning and problem solving.

## **Year 6 Spring**

# **"Exploring the Americas"**

## **"Trade past & Present"**

### Key Vocabulary

Geography: latitude, longitude, Equator, biomes, time zones, names of countries

Science: classification, adaptation, vertebrate, invertebrate

### R.E.

We will begin by learning about the Jewish Passover, then move onto making links between this and the Eucharist. In the lead up to Easter we will consider who Jesus is and what He means to Christians now.

### Science

This term we will be focussing on living things and how they are classified into groups. We will also look at how different living things are adapted to their environments, making some links to our work on the Americas.

### Geography

We will be investigating the physical and human features of the continents of North and South America, including locating and researching the countries of the Americas, learning about their climate zones, major geographical features, natural resources and trade. Our study of trade will widen to world trade, including a focus on fair trade.

### History

We will begin our local study of historic Lancaster this term (continuing into next term), which will include finding out about Lancaster's history as a trading port with Africa and the America's and its links with the slave trade.

### Music

Our focus will be on the music of the Americas, listening to a range of genres including reggae, spirituals, Latin music and Motown and learning to sing some of them.

### PE

We will be introducing the children to a new skill – badminton – this term, as well as developing our gymnastics skills, particularly focussing on working in groups.

### PSHE

In PSHE our focus will continue to be on keeping safe and healthy, this term looking at road safety (including our Bikeability training), the dangers of drug and alcohol misuse and reinforcement of our ongoing work on internet safety.

### Wider Curriculum

Internet Safety Day, Bikeability training, Intra sports, athletics tournament.

### Christian Values

Forgiveness, service