

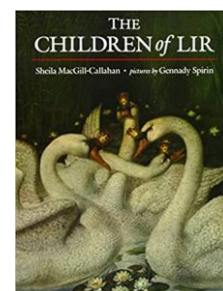
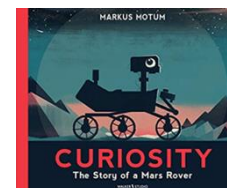
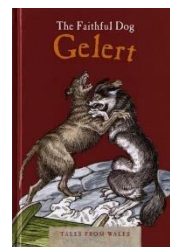
Curriculum Letter

Year 5 and 6: Spring Two 2023

We hope the following information will be helpful and provide you with an overview of the curriculum in our class this half term. Any questions or problems at all, no matter how small, please do not hesitate to email us.

In **English** lessons this half term, with Mrs Benton, our quality texts will be linked to our Science topic, 'Space'. Using *Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly and *Curiosity* by Markus Motom, we will explore the features of non-fiction texts such as magazine articles while applying cohesive devices and parentheses. After this, we will read, discuss and write poems inspired by Philip Gross's collection of poems, *Dark Sky Park*.

With Mrs Waller, our texts will be linked to our Geography topic, 'The United Kingdom'. We will be reading, discussing and writing myths and legends associated with the four different countries of the UK. These will include *The Children of Lir* (a Northern Ireland legend); *Gelert* (a Welsh legend) and *The Sword in the Stone* – a traditional English myth. We will be continuing to develop variation of sentence structure, length and organisation.



In **Maths** the children will develop their knowledge and understanding of many different objectives. With Mrs Benton, we will complete our unit on 'Properties of Shape' by investigating 3D shapes before moving on to 'Measurement' where we will convert between different units of measure and finish with perimeter, area and volume. With Mrs Waller, we will continue to learn about how percentages relate to fractions and decimals as well as finding percentages of amounts. We will also be learning about: ratios, proportion, algebra, and the circumference, ratio and diameter of circles. These will be used alongside problem-solving and reasoning

In **Science** this half term the children will be learning about *The Earth and Space*. They will be learning about the movement of the Earth and the other planets in our Solar System. They will learn how to describe the movement of the Earth in relation to the moon. They will learn how to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky.

In **RE** we will be asking the question, 'What did Jesus do to Save Human Beings?'. This unit will focus on the death and resurrection of Jesus and why this is considered a sacrifice by Christians.

In **Art** the children will be developing their creative learning linked to our science topic on *The Earth and Space*.

In **Geography** the children will be learning about the physical and human features of the four countries of the United Kingdom, including: capital cities, prominent landmarks (both human and physical) key topographical features such as mountains and mountain ranges, rivers, lakes and surrounding oceans as well as population, other major cities and physical and human processes.

In **Computing** Mr Dennis will be investigating databases and how we can record and analyse different data. We will be creating our own databases and answering questions from the data we have explored.

Modern Foreign Languages (MFL): The children will continue to learn, read and write vocabulary and simple sentences associated with: food, school subjects and time. Mrs Waller has established links with the head of MFL at the Chantry to enhance learning as well as to make the transition easier. We will be using sentence builder booklets similar to the style which the Chantry use.

Physical Education (PE) for this half term will be Dance on **Mondays** with Mrs Benton and Tag Rugby on **Tuesdays** with Mr Dennis. Please ensure the children come to school in their PE kits on **Mondays** and **Tuesdays**. Long hair should be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered with medical tape.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and needs to be handed in on the following Wednesday. **Spellings** will be given out on a Friday and tested the following Friday. Remember to read at least 3 times a week and note this in your child's Reading Diary. In addition, Year 6 have **maths targets books** to help consolidate individual and group objectives in preparation for SATs – these will be given out on a weekly basis.