

### English

Our first book is *Treason* by Berlie Doherty. In our writing, we will be learning to: write an information text about the plague, write a missing chapter from *Treason* and write a persuasive speech. Our second book is *The Jamie Drake Equation*. We will be writing a fantasy space-themed narrative with a focus on setting. Our final piece of writing will be a discussion text, answering the question: does life exist on other planets?



### Maths

We will be learning how to:

- read and write numbers to 1,000,000
- compare numbers to 1,000,000
- make number patterns
- round patterns
- add and subtract within 1,000,000

**Music** - In music this term, pupils will develop their performing skills through the topic of 'The Black Death and The Tudors.' They will learn a variety of songs based on the topic, experimenting with using tuned and untuned percussion instruments to accompany the music. Pupils will also compose a rap using their knowledge of what they have learnt about this period of history.



### How did political, religious and cultural changes affect life post 1066?

We kick off our topic with the Black Death – the bubonic plague outbreak of 1348. We will explore the causes, symptoms and impact of the plague on European civilisation. We will examine the duties of medieval knights. We will look how religion influenced the actions of The Flagellants at this time. Next, we will look at medieval Europe's feudal system. We will finish this half term with a re-enactment of the peasant's revolt! In the second half of the autumn term, we will be doing a deep dive into the Tudors, including Henry VIII and the impact on England. Our topic concludes with the invasion of the Spanish Armada and the reasons behind this.

### Spelling

We will be reviewing spelling strategies from previous years and working on:

- "ough" endings
- words with silent letters
- homophones

### DT

We will be experimenting with pulley and lever mechanisms to create a trap door system, inspired by the dungeons of the of the Tudor Monarchy.

### Geography

We will be looking at the geography of Europe through the lens of the spread of the Black Death. We will create a world map to show the spread.

### PHSE

We will be learning about who we are and our relationships this term both in person and online. We will understand what hate crime and bullying are and think about how we can protect ourselves and others from them.

### PE

In PE this term, we will learn ball skills that will help us when playing football. While building upon skills developed in lower KS2, the Y5 athletes will focus on keeping possession by using different turns and how to defend in a successful and fair way. They will also think about developing goalkeeping skills.

### Computing

We will develop our understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices. We will consider small-scale systems as well as large-scale systems.

### Science – Physics

We will be studying forces, including gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction. We will begin to recognise that some mechanisms including levers, pulleys and gears allow a smaller force to have a greater effect.

### Significant Figures

Malala Yousafzai is our significant figure. We will look at how her activism inspired change around the world.

