

Kingsway Junior School

Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Autumn Term 2026

The children have settled into Year 6 well and have come back to school focused and ready to tackle the year ahead. In Emperors this year, Mrs Martin and Ms Haider will be your teachers, supported by Mr Caffrey. In Monarchs this year, Mrs Datta will be your teacher, supported by Mr Bath and Ms Cantelow.

Home Learning

Home Learning will be sent out half termly and will link to the pupil's curriculum learning. Please speak to class teachers for further information.

English

In English, we will be following the Herts For Learning Curriculum, which combines the use of outstanding rated books to approach learning in a creative, engaging and enthusing manner. Year 6 will be exploring the following texts in Autumn 1

- 'Night of the Gargoyles,' and 'The Planetarium'

In Autumn 2, we will move onto exploring

- 'Talking History,'
- 'Wisp.'

Throughout the year the children will complete extended writing to ensure that the writing techniques are embedded. We will also be writing cross curricular pieces which combine their knowledge of English, Geography, History and Science. We encourage reading at ALL times.



Maths

We follow the Herts For Learning scheme for Maths. It will focus heavily on times tables, reasoning and problem solving skills.



We will cover a range of areas throughout the term such as place value, fractions, decimals and percentages, properties of shape, area and formal methods of all four operations.

We encourage pupils to regularly review and complete their multiplication tables, and ensure they are confident and fluent in them.

Science

In Science this term, we will be exploring the unit of Electricity and then Evolution and Inheritance. The key scientific skills that the children will be developing are asking questions, planning enquiries, making systematic observations, taking accurate measurements, recording data, drawing conclusions, and using evidence to support their findings.



PE

PE will be taught by CSE coaches twice a week. This term we will be focusing on Fitness and Cross Country.



Please ensure your child's PE kit is labelled and in school at all times.

RE

We are continuing to follow the Jigsaw curriculum for our RE learning. This term, we will be focusing on the key beliefs, practices and worldviews of Islam and Christianity. Children will explore the similarities and differences between the two religions, developing their understanding of how religious beliefs and practices can shape the way people live, think and view the world around them.

PSHE

We are continuing to follow the Jigsaw curriculum for our PSHE learning. For this term, we will be exploring the units of 'Being Me in my World' and 'Celebrating Differences'. Through these units, children will develop their understanding of themselves, their place within their school and wider community, and the importance of recognising and celebrating the similarities and differences between themselves and others.

Computing

In Computing this year, we will be using the NCCE curriculum. This term, our focus will be on Communication and Collaboration and Online Safety. Children will develop their understanding of how technology can be used to communicate and work collaboratively, while also learning how to stay safe, responsible and respectful when using digital platforms and communicating online.



History & Geography

This term, we will continue to use the CUSP scheme of work, which will focus on World War II and Physical Processes – Earthquakes, Mountains and Volcanoes. The children will be developing key historical and geographical skills, including using and interpreting sources of evidence, understanding chronology and significant events, locating and using maps, identifying physical features and processes, and explaining how and why geographical features such as earthquakes, mountains and volcanoes occur.

Spanish, Music

Spanish will be taught by Mrs Hallahan and will focus on expressing likes and dislikes, naming classroom objects, and developing an understanding of singular and plural forms. In Music, we will continue to use the Kapow scheme of work, with a focus on Dynamics, Pitch and Texture, using Coast as the inspiration for the children's learning. Children will explore how changes in dynamics, pitch and texture can be used to create different musical effects and compositions.

Art & DT

This year, Art and DT will be taught by class teachers. In Autumn 1, children will focus on developing their drawing skills, with an emphasis on realism, shading and tonal work, inspired by the theme of World War II. In Autumn 2, children will explore structures through the design and construction of fairground rides, considering their target audience and the needs of the product user throughout the design process.

Class assemblies:

Monarchs- Friday 16th October 2026 (Black History Month)

Emperors- Friday 13th November 2026 (Remembrance)

Educational Visits:

Friday 16th October – HMS Belfast Trip

Monday 30th November – Journey Workshop

Open Door Policy

If you would like to talk to us about any issues, share further information you would like us to know about your child or ask any questions, please feel free to come and have a chat with us on the playground before or after school. Due to staff meetings, we are unavailable for meetings on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, but you can make an appointment through us or the office at any point during the term.