



# Blue Abyss

**Welcome to the curriculum notes for Kites! Here you will find an overview of work that Kites will be working on throughout terms 5 & 6.**

## Spellings and homework

Homework and spellings are given out on a Friday. Homework needs to be handed in by the following Wednesday either in the red homework book or through Class Dojo. Spellings should be practiced daily – ready for test on Friday.

*Roots to grow, wings to fly*

## Reading

Reading in Key Stage 2 is taught through whole class sessions that work on developing your child's understanding of the different components of reading. The components include fluency practice, extended reading, close reading, shared reading and vocabulary instruction.

We are continuing to develop our provision of reading including looking at developing our vocabulary strand more including Latin and Greek focus words.

Children are able to choose from a range of books in class. In Key Stage 2 pupils have a green book review that they can fill in once they have finished their book. Children should be reading regularly at home. This can be a mixture of hearing your child read their book or them listening to you read.

## PE

As the weather improves, we may change the day of PE to suit so please make sure your child's kit is in school all week.



# Areas of Exploration

## Science

Kites will be looking at states of matter – solids, liquids and gases and learning about the water cycle. We will also look at evolution and inheritance and how changes to the environment impact on life in our seas and oceans.

## French

Our topic in French is all about France. We will be looking at France's cities, landmarks and neighbours.

## History

Our topic in history will be 'Battling the Seven Seas'. We'll focus on answering the question – 'How has travelling over the oceans changed over time?'

## Geography

We'll continue looking at features and characteristics of rivers. This will lead us to look at oceans and think about the question - 'Water, is it a friend of foe?'

## Computing

We'll be creating images in a drawing program (vector drawing) and using block-based programming to create games.

## DT

Kites will be designing and developing a micro-bit electronic charm to use in low light conditions. We will also make a pneumatic toy using syringes and balloons.

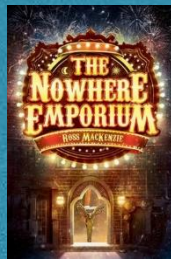
## Religious Education

We'll be looking at Christianity and exploring the question, 'When Jesus left what was the impact of Pentecost?' We'll also look at Buddhism and answer the question, 'What is the best way for a Buddhist to lead a good life?'

## P.E

In term 5 we'll be doing athletics – ready for Sport's Day – and rounders. We'll finish the year with cricket and racket sports like badminton and tennis.

## English



Above are just some of the books we will be exploring as a class through guided reading and English sessions. We will be looking at different writing genres including: narratives, reports, diaries, letters, recounts, advertising, persuasive letters and poetry; as well as using drama as and where we can.

## Maths

In Year 4 we will be looking at decimals, money, time, statistics and properties of shape. Year 5 will also be looking at decimals and properties of shape. Following on from that they will look at position and direction, converting units of measurement and volume.

## Art

Kites will be exploring cloth, thread and paint to create landscapes. They will look at sculpture and think about what we can learn from nature and how to incorporate this into their artwork.

## Music

We will be doing recorders and looking at how to link Haikus with music and performance.

## PSHE

Our topics in PSHE are entitled 'It's my body' and 'Digital wellbeing'. We'll look at what it takes to keep our bodies healthy and how to stay safe when using the internet.