



Windlesham School
& Nursery



Curriculum Summary

Year 5 Spring 2025



Preparing children for life



English

- Continuation of 'Blue John' by Berlie Doherty
- Newspapers and newspaper writing
- Extracts from English literary heritage texts
- Comprehension skills: inference, explanation, analysis
- Continuing to develop sentence variety
- Analysing and explaining the effect of an author's use of language
- Spelling investigations
- Learning and applying our understanding of the Y5 grammar and punctuation curriculum

Mathematics

- 2D and 3D shape
- Area and perimeter
- Volume
- Place value – 6 and 7 digit numbers
- Four operations and problem solving
- Fractions/decimals/percentages
- Measures and data
- 24-hour clock
- Reading a timetable

Science

- Properties of materials-hardness, strength, thermal and electrical conductivity
- Solubility – separating mixtures
- Reversible changes – melting, freezing, evaporating and condensing
- Irreversible changes and their products – useful new materials
- Researching famous scientists

Computing

- Internet safety
- Databases including creating databases; grouping and sorting data; representing data visually; interpreting databased to answer questions.
- Digital 3D Drawing including using drawing tools; creating layers; grouping shapes; experimenting with SketchUp

Art and Design

- Matisse cut-outs
- Basquiat
- Observational drawing
- Colour mixing
- Contemporary Art
- Abstract Art
- Dan Baldwin

French

- Telling the time
- Breakfast – le petit déjeuner
- Opinions
- Regular verbs ending in –er
- Adverbs of frequency
- Dictionary skills
- Celebrations – La Fête des Rois, St Valentin, Pâques

Geography

- Understand similarities and differences, through the study of human and physical geography, of a region of the UK (Sussex) and North America (Mexico)
- Human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, earthquakes, trade links, economic activity, and the distribution of natural resources (energy, food, minerals, water)
- Link with Mexico-Aztecs

Music

- Ukulele pieces using chords C, F, G and G7
- History of Jazz
- Composer of the Month
- Year 5 & 6 End of Year Musical

PSHE

- Internet safety
- Heroes – Mary Seacole & Florence Nightingale
- Diversity – Identities and Belonging to groups
- Jealousy
- Acceptance & Kindness

History

- Studying the Aztecs
- Mexico-place on a map
- Everyday living
- Writing and numerical systems
- Gods
- The Spanish Conquest and Cortes

PE

- Games: rules, invasion, attacking and defending play in netball, touch and contact rugby
- Swimming: improving stroke technique, safety and water skills
- Improvement of touch and contact rugby skills and rules, in isolation and competitive situations
- Health related fitness and methods of training

Religious Studies

- Humanities will focus on Geography and History. Religious Studies lessons will be resumed in the Summer Term.

Philosophy lessons will take place approximately every 3 weeks. Spring Term Theme is Biodiversity and Money.

Drama lessons take place weekly. This term's focus is on improvisation, devising and rehearsal.

These topics are merely what we would like to cover. Please note that as an independent school, we enjoy the flexibility to explore any other interesting area of learning that may arise during the term, and therefore the list should be taken as a guide only.