

Adamsrill Primary Year 5/6 Autumn Curriculum

English

Children will be focusing on the texts 'The Man who Walked Between the Towers', 'Hidden Figures', and 'The Lost Happy Endings'

Reading: Destination Reader lessons will focus on learning behaviours, clarifying, summarising, questioning and evaluating.

Writing: Genres covered this term will include: Information writing, letters of advice (formal), writing in role, interviews, news report, persuasive speeches and a biography.

GPS: Using prefixes and suffixes, use dictionaries to check the spelling and meaning of words, revision of word classes, conjunctions and noun phrases.

Art & Design

Storytelling in art

Composing their own autobiographical artwork

Computing

To learn about the importance of E- Safety and the use of multimedia.

Develop skills in blogging.

Mathematics

Pupils will be consolidating their understanding in the following areas: Number & Place value, The Four Operations and Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Skills

- Application of understanding in context
- Making mathematical connections
- Choosing appropriate calculation strategies
- Problem solving strategies

Design & Technology

Pupils explore mechanical systems by designing a motorised car using electronic motors and constructing an aerial tramway to understand pulleys and gears in real-world contexts.

Geography

To describe maps of the world; use maps to locate and grid references.

Modern Languages

To learn greetings in French.

To begin to understand and respond to basic questions.

Music

Year 5 will have weekly drumming lessons, and Year 6 will listen to, appraise, and perform music. Both year groups will take part in weekly music assemblies.

Science

Year 5 will focus on Space and Properties and Changes in Materials.

Year 6 will begin to understand how living things are classified by observing characteristics and learn about animals including humans. Relevant scientific enquiries will be ongoing.

History

To explore significant civilisations and historical periods—including Ancient Greece, the Tudors, the Aztecs, and the British Empire—to understand their impact on the modern world..

Physical Education

Gymnastics and Hockey

To become increasingly competent and confident to perform skills more consistently.

Religious

Education

Children will learn Faith and Belief in Lewisham.

RSE: Puberty and Reproduction.

Friday 11th September 2026

Autumn Term Year 5/6 Newsletter

Dear Year 5/6 Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome you back to another academic year. We really appreciate all you do to ensure that the children are happy and engaged in their learning both at home and in school.

The Year 5/6 Team consist of:

Class Teachers:

Mrs. Ogunjinmi(6B) Mrs. Khan (5/6G) Mr. Yeboah (5B)

Support Staff:

Abigail Asamoah (TA) Diana Quintero (TA) Abosede Adelowo (TA)

Homework: Homework is set on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday. There may be additional homework linked to SATs (for year 6) in May and June. Every week pupils will receive spellings and an outline of the pages they will need to complete. Please support with encouragement and a learning space at home to complete their tasks.

Home reading: Please ensure that your child reads for at least 30 minutes each day. Parents/carers are asked to listen to their child read regularly and sign their child's Home Reading Record at least twice a week. Children should keep a record of their reading by writing the title of the book and the date read in their Home Contact Journal. Please ensure that your child brings their reading book and Home Contact Journal to school every day. We kindly ask that reading books and reading records are looked after carefully. As school resources are limited, there will be a charge for lost or damaged items. Replacement reading books will be charged at the cost of the book, and replacement Home Reading Records will incur a charge of £1.90.

Curriculum Subjects: Year 5 and 6 children will be experiencing a wide and varied curriculum this half term. **Refer to the sheet on the other page for an overview of each subject.**

School Uniform: It is essential that all children come to school in the correct uniform; yellow polo shirt, navy jumper, grey/navy skirt, or trousers. Children must wear black school shoes NOT trainers.

PE Days: It is imperative all children participate in every PE lesson as this is part of the National Curriculum. Specialist PE lessons will be on Tuesdays for 5/6G and Thursdays for 6B and 5B.

The school PE kit consists of a plain white T-shirt, dark blue shorts (or tracksuit trousers in winter) and plimsolls. As their session takes place in the morning, children in 5B and 6B should come to school already wearing their PE kit on their allocated day, while children in 5G and 6G should wear their school uniform as normal and bring their PE kit with them to change into, as their session takes place in the afternoon.

Dates for your diaries:

- **Meet the teacher:** Wednesday 16th September, 2026
- **Year 6 Autumn Term 1 Assessment:** 14th - 18th September, 2026
- **Secondary Transfer Meeting:** 21st September, 2026 (15:45-16:30)
- **Jeans for Genes Day:** Friday 25th September
- **National Maritime Museum Trip:** 28th September, 2026
- **Target setting:** Tuesday 29th September, 2026 (15:50-18:30)
- **Target setting:** Tuesday 6th October, 2026 (15:50-18:30)
- **Individual School Photos:** Wednesday 7th October, 2026
- **6B Class Assembly:** Thursday 15th October, 2026
- **Multicultural day:** Thursday 22nd October 2026
- **Wear it Pink Day:** Friday 23rd October 2026 (TBC)
- **Half Term Begins:** Monday 26th - 30th October, 2026
- **Inset Day:** Monday 2nd November (No school)
- **5/6G Class Assembly:** Thursday 12th November, 2026
- **5B Class Assembly:** Thursday 19th November, 2026
- **Year 6 Autumn Term 2 Assessment:** 23rd - 26th November 2026
- **Year 5 Autumn Term 2 Assessment:** 30th November - 4th December 2026
- **KS2 Christmas Carol Performance:** 15th December 2025 (2:00pm)
- **Christmas Fair:** Friday 11th December 2026
- **Last day of Term:** 19th December, 2026
- **Inset Day:** Monday 4th January 2027 (No school)
- **Children return to school:** Tuesday 5th January 2027

Residential Trip: This will be in summer one term and more information will be shared closer to the date. Pupils who present challenging behaviour during the academic year will not be taken on this school journey because that will put staff and pupils at risk.

Attendance and Punctuality: We expect all pupils to be in school regularly and on time. This ensures that children do not miss out on their learning. The school also has specific interventions taking place at specific times. Good attendance is at least 96%.

If you have any questions or concerns, you are welcome to arrange an appointment for a meeting with your child's class teacher.

We look forward to a **PHENOMENAL** term and we count on your unceasing support to achieve this.

Yours faithfully,
The Year Five and Six Team