



Swallows Class
Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6
Summer Term 2026



Term dates

Summer 1 -

Tuesday 21st April - Friday 22nd May

Summer 2 -

Monday 1st June - Wednesday 22nd July

History

Our topic for this term will be about the slave trade, racial equality and civil rights. We will be discussing the effects of the slave trade as well as its abolishment.

English

In English this term, we are looking at:

- Mystery narrative.
- Nonsense poetry.
- Explanation text.

Reading for pleasure and enjoyment is a large focus of our English. Please continue to support and encourage reading at home as well as at school; reading regularly to adults and being read to is still important in Key Stage 2.

Please make sure to record when your child has read their book using their reading record.

Children who are free readers can keep books at home until they are finished and they can read their own books at home but please record these in their reading records and bring them in daily so we can see that reading is being done.

Geography

In geography, we will be focusing on South America, including its physical features, climate zones, and biomes. We will also be learning about the impact of water scarcity in parts of the continent as well as considering the effects of living in remote environments.

PE

All children will be doing PE on Fridays. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for both indoor and outdoor PE.

DT

In DT, we will be learning about electrical systems in order to construct a fairground.

Art

The children will be learning about the life and works of Barbara Hepworth. They will then use her work as inspiration for creating their own sculpture.

RE

This term, the children will be answering a big question: Why do we celebrate?

Maths

In Maths, we will be learning about: place value, addition and subtraction, properties of shape, multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, measurements of volume and capacity, position and direction, statistics, algebra and ratio and proportion.

Science

This term, our focus of study for science will be 'sound' and 'light'.

Homework

Homework will be sent home weekly on Wednesdays and is due back the following Monday. Spellings may be sent on different days as it will be linked with spellings being done in class. Children should also be using TTRockstars and reading daily. Please make sure you sign your child's reading record once they have read at home.

Music and German

In music, the children will be learning about musical theatre and they will be composing and performing a 'leavers' song. Karl will also be in to prepare for the end of year production. Mrs Simpson will be in on Wednesday afternoons to teach German.

Computing

In computing, the children will be developing their understanding around how to stay safe online.

PSHE

Our PSHE topics this term are 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me'.