Princess May Primary School

YEAR 6 — CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

2026–2027

GLOBAL THEMES
We explore these Global Themes across the curriculum subject areas. We also learn about specific Sustainable Development Goals linked to our topics.

Autumn 2: Remembrance Day Awareness **Spring 2: Pupil Leadership: buddying systems in Key Stage 1**
Summer 2: Leave a legacy speech

CHANGEMAKERS
Year 6's changemaker focus is Freedom Fighters. We learn about Activists and the impact they have had on our world.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT — R.E.D
Throughout the year, we learn how to flourish as individuals by exploring, reflecting on and developing our school values: Respect; Empathy; Determination (R.E.D)

ORACY
Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language, including debate. At Princess May we provide a high-quality oracy education by explicitly teaching children through talk and to talk. We focus on teaching the following skills across the curriculum areas:

Physical: Use posture, gesture and tone of voice effectively to engage an audience
Linguistic: Use evaluative language and sentence stems. Use accurate and effective vocabulary
Cognitive: Summarise a discussion. Consider and respond to others' contributions e.g., clarifying
Social & Emotional: Notice audience and adapt delivery accordingly

	DISCOVER		EXPLORE		CREATE	
Subject	**Autumn 1**	**Autumn 2**	**Spring 1**	**Spring 2**	**Summer 1**	**Summer 2**
Reading (Destination Reader)	Combined Strategies (recap prior knowledge (Y3/4/5): The Invention of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick	Combined Strategies and provision adapted to the needs of statutory assessment: The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas by John Boyne Book and film Grimm Tales by Philip Pullman	Combined Strategies and provision adapted to the needs of statutory assessment: The Unforgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce	Combined Strategies and provision adapted to the needs of statutory assessment: Caged Bird by Maya Angelou	Combined Strategies and provision adapted to the needs of statutory assessment: Holes by Louis Sachar	Free Readers: Politics for Beginners by Louie Stowel; On the Move by Michael Rosen
Writing (Literacy Tree)	The Invention of Hugo Cabaret by Brian Selznick	The Boy in the Tower by Polly Ho-Yen	The Unforgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce	The Arrival by Shaun Tan	Grimms Tales by Philip Pullman	Suffragette: The Battle for Equality by David Roberts
Maths (Maths Mastery)	Integers and decimals. Multiplication and division	Calculation problems. Fractions. Missing angles and length	Co-ordinates and shapes. Fractions	Percentages. Decimals and Measure. Proportion problems. Statistics	Consolidation and Application	Consolidation and Application
Science (Kapow)	Biology: Classifying big and small	Physics: Light and Reflection	Biology: Evolution and Inheritance	Physics: Circuits, batteries and switches	Biology: Circulation and Health	Making Connections: Are some sunglasses safer than others?
Humanities (Kapow)	History: What does the census tell us about our local area?	History: What was the impact of World War 2 on the people of Britain?	Geography: Why does population change?	Geography: Where does our energy come from?	History: How did the Maya civilisation compare to the Anglo-Saxons?	Geography: Can I carry out an independent fieldwork enquiry?
Computing (Kapow)	Online safety	Computing systems and networks: Bletchley Park	The History of Computers	Data handling 1: Big Data 1	Data handling 2: Big Data 2	Programming: Intro to Python
Art (Kapow)	Drawing: Expressing ideas		Sculpture & 3D: Making memories		Painting & Mixed Media: World in watercolour	
DT (Kapow)		Mechanisms: Automata Toys		Structures: Playground pioneers		Cooking and Nutrition: Come Dine with me
Music (Charanga)	Happy	Classroom Jazz 2	A New Year Carol	You've Got A Friend in Me	Music in Me	Reflect, Rewind and Replay
RE (Kapow)	Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 1)	Why does religion look different around the world? (Part 2)	Why is it better to be there in person?	Why is there suffering? (Part 1)	Why is there suffering? (Part 2)	What place does religion have in our world today?
Spanish (Specialist)	The weather Qué tiempo hace? Spain, location of major towns, geographical features, ¿Donde está?	European and Spanish speaking countries, capital cities and nationalities Qué país és?	Case study Places in the town (describing a town and giving opinions) Compare and contrast	Exploring a Spanish poem Sentence building (Festivals in Spain)	De vacaciones (holiday destinations, clothes)	Consolidation, revision, creative fun, Project Piñata
PSHE and Wellbeing (Kapow)	My healthy self: How do my choices today shape my future health?	Connecting with others: What does it mean to stand up for myself and others?	The online world: How do I feel about the things I see online?	Citizenship: How can we protect everyone's rights?	Staying safe: How can I stay safe as I grow up?	Sex education: How do people become parents and carers?
PE (GetSet4PE)	Fitness; OAA	Yoga; Football	Hockey; Basketball	Gymnastics; Rounders	Dance; Tennis	Athletics; Dodgeball