



Class: Chestnut
Term 1 2025 – 2026

English:
Reading – vocabulary, fluency and comprehension skills activities based on a range of texts from Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls by Elena Favilli and Francesca Cavallo.
Writing – the children’s work will be based on ‘Queen of the Falls’ by Chris Van Allsburg. The children will use Y6 grammar and punctuation to write a range of texts including: diary entries, setting descriptions, letters and recounts. For their final assessment piece, they will write a series of diary entries about significant events in the daredevil Annie Taylor’s life.
Handwriting – refining letter formation and joins.
Spellings: words ending in ‘-tious’, ‘-ious’ and ‘-cious’; words ending in ‘-cial’ and ‘-tial’; words ending in ‘-ant’, ‘-ance’ and ‘-ancy’.

Maths
Place value
 - Roman numerals
 - Numbers to 1,000,000
 - Round within 1,000,000
Addition and subtraction
 - Add and subtract numbers with four digits
 - Rounding
 - Problem solving with addition and subtraction
Multiplication and division
 - Multiples
 - Factors
 - Prime numbers

Science - Forces and Mechanisms
 This project teaches children about the forces of gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction, with children exploring their effects. They will learn about mechanisms, including gears, pulleys and levers and follow instructions to investigate how these simple machines use forces to make tasks easier.

History - Dynamic Dynasties
 This project teaches children about the history of ancient China, focusing primarily on the Shang Dynasty, and explores the lasting legacy of the first five Chinese dynasties, some of which can still be seen in the world today.

Geography - Investigating Our World
 This essential skills and knowledge project teaches children about locating map features using a range of methods. They learn about the Prime Meridian, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), and worldwide time zones and study interconnected climate zones, vegetation belts and biomes. Children learn about human geography and capital cities worldwide before looking at the UK motorway network and settlements. They carry out an enquiry to identify local settlement types.

Art - Taotie
 This project is linked to Dynamic Dynasties. It teaches children about the significance and art of the taotie motif, including ancient and contemporary casting methods.

PSHE - Being Me in My World
 In this project the children will explore their personal goals for the year ahead, learn and acknowledge their responsibilities and explore the rewards and consequences they may face. Pupils will discuss what it means to be a good citizen and focus on our learning charter for this academic year.

RE - God
 Through this topic, Chestnut class will learn about: biblical texts and Christian ideas of God; how churches are designed; how Christians put their beliefs into practice in worship. They will use what they learn about love, holiness and forgiveness to create their own triptych to represent themselves, the local community and the world.

Computing
Online safety
 This project teaches children about how to stay safe whilst online. They will learn how to protect their information and why this is important. Pupils will discuss online reputation, bullying and online health and the effects on wellbeing.
Computing systems and networks
 Understanding how search engines work and developing searching skills to find relevant and accurate information online.

French - Me and my friends at school
 The children will revisit some of the core language they have learned in the first two stages of language learning and build on that to include extended feelings phrases. They will also learn to speak about another person in the third person. In addition, the children will be introduced to an authentic French primary school timetable, learn nouns for school subjects and to give opinions on school subjects.

PE (Indoor) - Health Related Exercise
 The unit of work will ensure that all children understand the meaning of strength, flexibility and the cardiovascular elements of fitness. Pupils will perform cardio, flexibility and strength focused circuits developing their own fitness.
PE (Outdoor) - Tag Rugby
 The unit of work will teach the children how to execute different passes and understanding where, when they are used in a game. They will be able to develop tactics for both attacking and defending and apply these successfully within their team.