



St Martin of Porres Catholic Primary School

Years 4 and 5 Autumn Term 2026 Curriculum Information

RE Creation and Covenant

In RE, pupils will explore the story of Abraham and his importance in Judaism, Christianity and Islam, focusing on faith, trust and covenants. They will also learn about Joseph and his journey from betrayal to forgiveness, exploring themes of reconciliation and faith.

Prophecy and Promise:

pupils will explore the story of the prophet Elijah and his call for God's people to return to Him, before learning about John the Baptist and how he prepares the way for Jesus. They will explore Jesus as the promised Messiah and reflect on Christ the King, considering how He rules through love, mercy and the promise of eternal life.

Reading: Author of the term – Joseph Coelho

Autumn 1:

In Reading, we will explore Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly and develop our understanding through questioning, inference and retrieval. Pupils will discuss the characters' experiences, explore new vocabulary and consider the challenges and achievements of the four women throughout the story.

Autumn 2:

In Reading, we will explore Annie Lumsden, the Girl from the Sea, developing our skills in prediction, inference and summarising. Pupils will explore Annie's mysterious story, her relationships and how she changes and grows in confidence throughout the novel.

Maths

Place Value

Addition and Subtraction

Multiplication and Division

Year 4

Measurement

Year 5

Fractions

Geography (Autumn One)

Deserts

Examining extreme arid environments, atmospheric high-pressure zones, adaptation, and physical landscape structures.

History (Autumn Two)

Persia and Ancient Greece

Exploring Greek city-states, early democracy, the Persian Wars, and evidential thinking via classical sources.

PE

Invasion Games: Netball, Football, Tag Rugby and Basketball.

PE is taught by a specialised coach on Tuesday and by the class teacher on Thursday. Ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform and no jewellery.

Music

The children will listen to and appraise some of ABBA's greatest hits, while developing their musical skills through singing, playing instruments, improvising and composing in this genre.

English

In **Autumn One** we will explore Hidden Figures through the Literacy Tree, learning about four remarkable women and their role in the Space Race. Pupils will develop their vocabulary and writing skills through reports, letters and diary entries.

In **Autumn Two** we will explore Annie Lumsden, the Girl from the Sea through the Literacy Tree, following Annie's mysterious journey of identity and growing confidence. Pupils will develop their vocabulary, comprehension and storytelling skills through this imaginative tale.

Science

Year 4

States of Matter

Animals including Humans

Year 5

Properties and Changes of Materials

Animals Including Human

Computing

The children will develop their understanding of the internet and explore how it can be used for a range of different purposes, while learning how to stay safe online. They will also explore graphical modelling and develop their creativity through audio production. Learning about e-safety and cyber bullying.

Art (Autumn One)

Craft and Design (with a drawing focus). Fabric of Nature

Design & Technology (Autumn Two)

Cooking and Nutrition; Adapting for a purpose

French

The children will continue to develop their French phonics and pronunciation skills, while expanding their vocabulary and confidence through language modules focused on the classroom and visiting a café.