



Aston Hall  
Junior & Infant School

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### Curriculum Booklet for Parents

#### UKS2 Spring Term 2025

##### Staff

- Miss Cochrane – Y6 teacher
- Miss Ellis - Y5/6 teacher
- Miss Davenport – Y5 teacher
- Mrs Wall – Y5 and Y6 TA
- Mrs Clifton – Y5 and Y6 TA and cover
- Mrs Grey – Y5 and Y6 cover
- Mr Inglis- PE teacher
- Mrs Gibbons- Music teacher

**Physical Education:** PE lessons will continue to take place on Monday and Wednesday. This term, we will be covering athletic and Cheerleading. All children must keep their PE kit in school. Full PE kit consists of white T-shirt/polo shirt, black shorts/joggers/leggings, and trainers or pumps.

**Religious Education:** This term, our topic will initially be ‘The Pillars of Islam’ where we will explore the importance and meanings of each pillar.

We will then be exploring worship and prayer in more depth and looking at the key practices in different religions.

##### Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. Homework, for this half term, will mainly be through IXL, where children will be directed to lessons based on current learning, and Emile for spelling practise. Finally, as part of homework, there is an expectation for children to **read at least 3 times a week**. This should be recorded in reading records and given to teachers by Friday each week.

##### Y6 SATS MEETING

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 4:45pm, we will be holding a meeting for Y6 parents to give more information about this year’s SATs.

##### YORK RESIDENTIAL

We are very excited about our residential to York this term!

**Y5 visit- Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

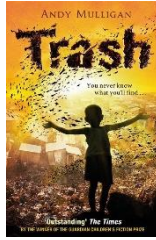
**Y6 visit- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

*There, we will be engaging in lots of exciting and educational activities including a visit to York Minster, Dig, The Jorvik, York’s Chocolate Story and The National Railway Museum.*

##### KS2 Timetable

Mornings	Afternoons
8:35 Doors open for morning job	12:00 Lunch
8:45 Register	13:00 Wider curriculum subjects
9:00 Reading/Assembly	15:20 Home
9:45 Maths	
10:45 Break	
11:00 English Novel Study	

**English Novel Study:** This term, our literacy learning will centre around 'Trash' by Andy Mulligan. This is a brilliant book which allows us to consider how children's lives differ around the world and will provide us with lots of different writing opportunities where we can further develop and apply the SPaG skills we have learnt so far this year. This will include developing our formal writing through a balanced argument and letter of persuasion and developing our fiction-writing skills, exploring setting and character descriptions before writing our own narrative inspired by the novel.



**Science:** In science, we will be initially learning about Earth and Space in Spring 1, then move to learn about Plants in Spring 2.

Y5 will be comparing the environment on Earth to other planets and exploring what is needed for plant growth and reproduction. Y5 will also be exploring shadows and learning more in depth about the moon: its different phases, lunar eclipses and how it affects the tide.

**Jigsaw PSHE:** We will continue to follow the Jigsaw scheme for PSHE this term as well as exploring many PSHE topics during other curriculum subjects, such as Literacy, Computing and Science. This term, we will begin with our 'Dreams and Goals' unit, where we will look at staying motivated when doing something challenging, exploring our own goals as well as helping others to achieve theirs. Then we will move to our second unit 'Healthy Me' where we will look at making healthy lifestyle choices and dealing with peer pressure. For Y6, this will build on some of the learning that took place at Crucial Crew last term. As well as PSHE lessons, we will also be looking at current issues in the news during Votes for Schools sessions.



**History:** This term, UKS2 will be learning all about the Industrial Revolution. Through this unit, we'll begin by learning about what the Industrial Revolution was and what caused it. We will then be moving on to explore inequality at this time, including life for children and their working conditions. Following this, Y5/6

will be learning about the impact of the Industrial Revolution on transport and society- including how this affected Sheffield and Rotherham.

**Geography:** We will begin our geography unit this term by looking at 6-figure grid references and use these to locate countries in South America. We will be looking at the physical features of Brazil and the impact that the Amazon rainforest has on the wider world and why it is important to protect and conserve the rainforests in South America before learning about the importance of the Andes and how these impact the economy in South America. Finally, we will consider the impact of tourism and migration on this area and consider the positive and negative impact of this.

**Music:** Our UKS2 music lessons are taught every Monday by our specialist WPT music teacher, Mrs Gibbons. The children have already enjoyed some ukulele sessions and they will continue to develop their knowledge of music through both voice and musical instruments.

**Art:** In art, we will be studying the English artist Laurence Stephen Lowry, looking at how he used a limited colour palette to portray images of industrial districts of North West England in the mid-20th century to link with our History work. We will compare his style with the African artist we studied last term- Jimoh Buraimoh. We will be creating art work by using pencils to sketch and then we will use watercolour paints to create a colour palette of grey and earthy colours.

