

## Hedgehog Year 4/5 Curriculum Topics – Summer Term 2026



### Topic

Pupils explore how crime and punishment have changed in Britain from Roman times to the modern police force. They learn why laws existed, how punishments reflected society, and how justice developed over time. Children use historical evidence, timelines and enquiry skills to understand change, fairness and the impact of key events.



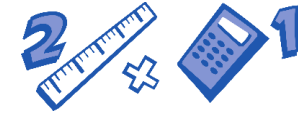
### Science

This term, pupils will revise the different animal classes and learn how to classify organisms using key scientific questions. They will create detailed observational drawings and explore how animals and plants are adapted to their environments. Pupils will also investigate how changes to habitats can affect living things, developing their understanding of adaptation, survival and the impact of environmental change.



### English

This term, pupils will read and write about the novel '*How to Train Your Dragon*'. Lessons will focus on creative writing, inference, and using emotive language. Children will practise instructional writing using imperative verbs and develop dialogue skills, including accurate speech marks. We will also enjoy a week of poetry, where pupils will explore language creatively and perform fun Shakespearean-style insults.



### Maths

#### **Year 4:**

This term in mathematics, pupils will be developing their understanding of **money**, including calculating totals and giving change, as well as **time**, focusing on reading clocks, using timetables, and solving time-related problems.

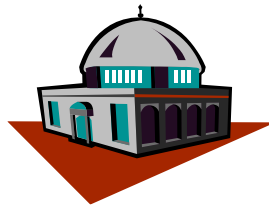
#### **Year 5:**

This term in mathematics, pupils will be learning about **area and perimeter**, applying accurate measuring and calculation skills, and working with **statistical information**, including interpreting and presenting data using charts and graphs.



### Art

We will be using our new sewing skills to create some mixed media collage using fabric. We will be taking inspiration from artists we have previously looked at like Matisse and Eric Carl. We will be linking our art unit with our science this term and creating some organism inspired artwork.



### RE

This term, the children continue their work on Buddhism and the idea of enlightenment before learning about the Christian belief in the Trinity. They will explore how Christians understand God as three in one: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Pupils will discuss why this is described as a mystery and look at how this belief is shown through Bible stories, worship and practices such as baptism.

### French

#### Les vêtements:

Ask and say what clothes you'd like, Give opinions about clothes, Say what clothes you wear, ask and talk about prices (including numbers 60–80)

Key Vocabulary: Qu'est-ce que tu veux? Tu veux... ? Je voudrais un t-shirt, un pantalon, un chapeau, une veste, une jupe, une chemise, des chaussures, des lunettes de soleil + et, C'est comment? C'est moche, beau, trop grand, trop petit, trop cher... et/mais..., Je porte... un pantalon, un chapeau, un t-shirt, une veste, une chemise, une jupe, des chaussures, des lunettes de soleil... rose, orange, marron, rouge(s), jaune(s), vert(e)(s), bleu(e)(s), noir(e)(s), blanc(s), blanche(s), C'est combien? Ça coûte [soixante-douze] euros.



### Music

This term, pupils will learn the song *Lean On Me* by Bill Withers while exploring Soul and Gospel music. Children will sing together, play instruments, improvise and compose simple melodies, and perform as a group. The unit builds musical skills such as listening, rhythm and pitch, while promoting teamwork, confidence and the importance of supporting others through music.

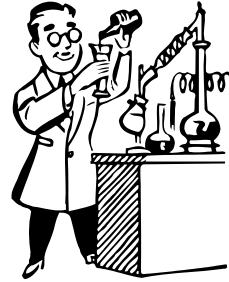
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#### Key vocabulary:

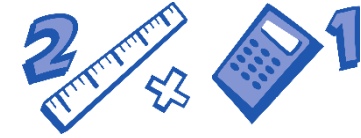
Law, justice, crime, punishment, trial, verdict, evidence, magistrate, judge, law enforcement.



### Science:

#### Key vocabulary:

Classification, vertebrates, invertebrates, microorganisms, amphibians, reptiles, mammals, insects, characteristics, organism, family.



### Maths

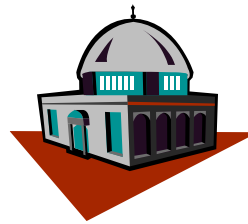
#### Key vocabulary:

Pound (£), Pence (p), total, change, cost, amount, clock, analogue, digital, hour, minute, second, area, perimeter, length, width, data, information, table, bar graph, line graph, tally, interpret.



### Art:

Key vocabulary: Applique, embellishments, embroidery, textile, art.



### RE

#### Key vocabulary:

Trinity  
Atheist  
Mystery  
Agnostic  
Icon



### Music

#### Key vocabulary:

Unison, notation, improvise, melody, pitch, pulse, composition, backing vocal, piano, bass, drums, organ, pulse, rhythm, tempo, dynamics, texture structure, compose, improvise, hook, riff, melody, solo