

Topic:	The Tudors
RE	Listen to the stories of Jesus' parables and miracles, develop a greater understanding of who Jesus is and what his ministry was. To learn about the Liturgical year as a celebration of the life of Christ. To learn about Baptism and Marriage as special sacramental celebrations.
English	We will be writing stories with familiar settings including some traditional tales. We will also be looking at explanation texts and writing our own explanation text based on our topic, The Tudors. Our new spelling booklets will help us to learn the suffixes ing, ed, er, est, ment, ness, ful and less. We will continue to learn about how to use the past/present tense correctly and how to use apostrophes for contraction and possession. In handwriting, we are continuing to develop our horizontal and diagonal strokes and to form our ascenders and descenders correctly. We will be reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts and discussing our opinions about these texts. During Guided Reading sessions, we will be focussing on answering inference, sequencing, and vocabulary style questions about a text.
Maths	Statistics: The children will learn how to read, interpret, analyse and construct their own picture graphs. Word Problems: The children will use their addition and subtraction skills to solve word problems. They will use the bar model method to help them to decide which method is required and develop their skills to answer more complex problems. Money: The children will learn how to represent money using £ and p. They will be learning how to write and count money by using their knowledge of counting in fives and tens to do this efficiently. They will practise showing equal amounts of money and how to exchange money.
PE	Multi skills – to throw and catch with increasing accuracy. Children will learn how to perform an underarm throw, an overarm throw and a bounce throw. To develop the techniques of dribbling and controlling a football with their feet. To use skills acquired from multi skills to use in athletics, for example throwing different equipment into targets.
Art	We will be learning about Royal Artists such as Hans Holbein and how portraits were very important to the monarchy during Tudor times. We will create our own portraits and learn about the different styles and techniques used.
Computing	We will use JiT5 'Mix' to create a topic-based eBook; All about The Tudors. We will add appropriate backgrounds and write sentences to create an eBook; we will name and save our work. We will recap the importance of staying safe online and why passwords are important to keep us safe online. Children will recognise and name the uses of ICT outside of school such as connected devices.
Music	We will listen to examples of music from the Tudor period such as 'Greensleeves' and 'My Bonnie Lass' by Thomas Morley. We will describe the tempo and pitch. Children will have the opportunity to play instruments and experiment with creating different sounds. We will listen to recorded music and use musical vocabulary.
DT	We will begin to develop our sewing skills by joining fabrics together. We will use a running stitch to join two pieces of fabric to create a pouch.
Geography	We will recap our work on the seven continents and learn about the five oceans in the world. We will learn about famous Tudor explorers such as Sir Francis Drake and the journeys they made to discover new places.
History	Our topic is 'The Tudors' so we will be learning about Tudor monarchs e.g. Henry VII and Henry VIII. We will learn how Tudor life was different to our life today and we will make comparisons between the lives of rich people and poor people in Tudor times. We will learn about how the Tudor Rose was formed.
Science	Animals including humans: we will be focusing on how to keep ourselves fit and healthy by learning about healthy eating, exercise and keeping clean. We will be researching about Birmingham inventor John Mitchell, who invented the steel pen point. We will make our own pen portraits.

Spellings Week 1 w.b.
6th January

Test: Friday 10th
January

hiking
hiked
hiker
nicer
nicest
shiny
cleanest
phoning
icy
priced

Spellings Week 2 w.b.
13th January

Test: Friday 17th January

patting
patted
humming
hummed
tapping
tapped
fatter
fattest
runner
runny

Spellings Week 3 w.b.
20th January

Test: Friday 24th January

all
ball
call
walk
talk
always
numeral
chalk
rainfall
small

Spellings Week 4 w.b. 27th
January

Test: Friday 31st January

other
mother
brother
nothing
Monday
wonder
loving
money
another
oven

Spellings Week 5 w.b. 3rd
February

Test: Friday 7th February

key
donkey
monkey
chimney
honey
want
wash
wander
watch
quantify

Spellings Week 6 w.b.
10th February

Test: Friday 14th
February

word
work
worm
world
firework
war
warm
towards
forward
swarm