## English

This half-term, children will be exploring a fantasy text called *Freedom Bird by Jerdine Nolen*.

which tells the story of John and Millicent Wheeler, whose parents were sold as slaves and who now live and work on Simon Plenty's North Carolina

Plantation. Before being sold, their parents told them stories of how one day their people would fly away to freedom; these are the hopes and dreams that remain alive in their hearts. The sequence begins with children considering the difference between their needs and wants, before going on to research the history of the slave trade in America. Children will write in role as the enslaved children, considering their experiences from a first-hand perspective, create dialogue of a conversation between the two siblings and write them a letter of advice to help them through their situation.



**Islamic link:** Muhammed SAW's last speech (no white man is greater than a black man and vice versa) Black lives matter

John Cass school name - changed name as he was a slave trader.

## DT

This term, the children will be learning about an 'Early Islamic Civilisation' The most incredible and advanced civilisations the world has ever seen and during this fascinating topic, your children will develop a secure understanding of the chronology and context of the early Islamic empire as they: learn about the expansion and dissolution of the empire; study the ancient round city of Baghdad; wonder at the glorious Islamic art and architecture; visit the learned scholars of the House of Wisdom; travel and trade along the Silk Road, and prepare tantalising West-Asian dishes.

# Half Term Curriculum Overview

## Year 5 & 6 Summer 2023

We will ensure that Islamic knowledge is incorporated into the curriculum Insha'Allah.

## Mathematics

This half-term, children will be learning a range of different topics in Maths.

We will be able to:

- Algebra
- Converting measurements
- Dividing decimals by integers
- Percentages
- Negative numbers
- Shapes
- Position and direction



#### PE

In PE this half-term, children will focus on athletics which are a good reminder of teamwork and working cooperatively, not just in sports but across the curriculum!

Islamic link- Keeping fit and healthy is important in Islam-Hadith: Take advantage of 5 before 5 ...
Giving the right to your body.

## **PSHE**

This half-term, children will be learning about Relationships: Children develop confidence when facing and addressing a difficulty. Recognise ways in which a relationship can be unhealthy and who to talk to if they need support.

#### Science

In science, they will be learning about *Healthy Bodies*. They will be able to learn how to keep their bodies healthy. They will learn all about nutrition, the importance of exercise, their hearts and more. They will investigate how water and nutrients are transported in the circulatory system and recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs, and lifestyle on how their bodies function.

Islamic link - Quran:

'Eat of the lawful things that We have provided you with...'

## History

We will be looking at: Atlantic Slave Trade

- To learn about the experiences of slaves during the Atlantic slave trade from historical sources.
- To understand what modern slavery is
- To understand Islamic viewpoint on slavery

**Islamic link:** Muhammed SAW's last speech (no white man is greater than a black man and vice versa) Black lives matter

## Homework

Children will receive homework on Fridays, and they will need to make sure that they bring it back the following Wednesday. Children will also be given spelling on Friday following a test on Tuesday/Wednesday. All children should be reading at least 30 minutes everyday home.