



MERRIOTT
PRIMARY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Autumn 1 2026



READING

Waterloo class will be revisiting and enhancing their reading skills, with a big focus on inference through the class text, *Turtle Moon* by Hannah Gold.



WRITING

We will be focusing on creating a detailed character description based on Yara, the main character from the book titled *The Kingdom Over the Sea* by Zohra Nabi.



MATHS

Children will be developing their place value knowledge with Year 5 pupils exploring numbers up to 1,000,000. These skills include writing, ordering and comparing numbers. They will also recap formal methods for addition and subtraction.



SCIENCE

Waterloo class will be learning about parts of plants, plant reproduction and a range of life cycles.



HISTORY

As Merriott School celebrates its 150th year - the children will be learning all about life in the Victorian times - comparing and contrasting this era to modern day life.



ART

The topic for this half term is food packing. Children will explore what artists need to consider when designing food packaging.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

Our focus will be fitness and football. Our PE days are **Wednesday and Friday**.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)

Waterloo class will be considering how Christians live, with a focus on the question: What would Jesus do?



MUSIC

This half term focuses on the jazz/swing song, *Hey Mr Miller*. Children will explore rhythm work and create off-beat rhythm patterns.



COMPUTING

In our Computing lessons, children will develop their internet safety skills - ensuring they know how to keep themselves safe when online.



PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH AND ECONOMIC EDUCATION (PSHE)

My healthy self: How can I support my mind and body as I grow?



FRENCH

Children will continue to develop their knowledge of French by building on prior learning and learning vocabulary about the seasons.