Year 6 Spring 1 – Overview

Subject	Focus
English	**Reading**: Class novel: Skellig. Develop comprehension skills, retrieving information, ordering events, inferring events through hidden meanings in the text. Reciting and performing poetry. **Writing**: The Highwayman – internal monologue; analysis of themes and imagery within the poem. Benin Bronzes - debate, balanced argument. **SPaG**: Figurative language – Simile, metaphor, alliteration. Use of semicolons. To recognise and use the passive and active voice; to punctuate reported and direct speech.
Mathematics	**Ratio** - Comparing the relationship between two numbers. **Algebra** - Find a rule to continue a sequence; calculate using letters and shapes to substitute numbers; solve word problems. **Decimals** - Calculations involving decimal numbers.
Science	**Human circulatory system**; measuring and investigating factors affecting heart rate; the importance of water on our bodies; healthy diet, effects of drugs and alcohol.
Computing	**Coding** - Micro-bits
History	**The Kingdom of Benin** - Analyse sources of evidence and draw conclusions about what happened when the British Empire invaded the Kingdom of Benin. Why is learning about Benin important?
Art and Design	**Modelling and sculpture** - Moving people. Study how artists create movement through art and design, and create Modroc sculptures of people in action.
Physical Education	**Outdoor** - Tag Rugby. **Indoor –** Health related exercises.
RSHE	**Drugs and Alcohol** - Children learn about legal and illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco, exploring the risks that these can pose to health.
Music	**Ukulele** - Expanding their knowledge of chords and learning simple songs.
French	**Food** - Ordering food in a café, recap of numbers 1-20, and use of perfect tense.



Key Vocabulary
Circulatory system
Cardiovascular
Substance
Hydration
Anatomy
Correlation
Heart
Blood vessels
Oxygenated
Deoxygenated
Arteries
Capillaries
Circulatory system

RE - Exploring the Mass
The children will learn that the Sacrament of the Eucharist is a thanksgiving for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. They will begin to understand that in the Mass we participate in Jesus' sacrifice to God the Father and learn what happened at the Last Supper.

They will learn the different parts of the Mass and become familiar with most of the responses. The children will learn that the bread and wine are consecrated during Mass and become the body and blood of Jesus.

At home you could help your children by bringing their attention to the Eucharistic prayer during Mass