



Townlands C of E Primary Academy

"A journey of learning in the light of God's love"

Faith, Honesty, Love, Friendship, Forgiveness, Hope, Respect

"What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade."

The parable of the Mustard seed (Mark 4:30-32)

Year Six Autumn Term 2026 Second Half Term

TEACHERS: Mrs Brown and Mrs Collidge

We hope you had an enjoyable half-term break.

Our final half-term before Christmas promises to be full of interesting and exciting learning as we step back in time to World War II. We will explore decisions made by the UK Parliament during the war and how these influenced the outcomes for people and places. Our class book, Rose Blanche, will support our growing knowledge of wartime events and provide inspiration for our writing.

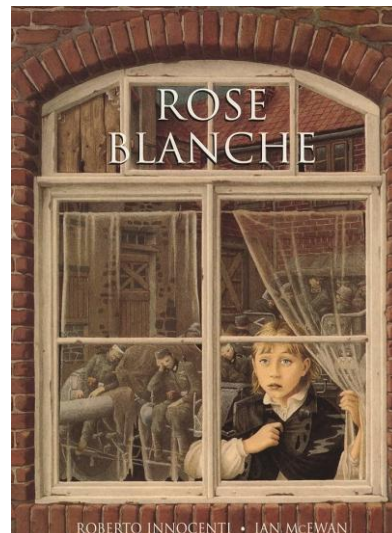
In Science, we will study the circulatory system, and learn about the importance of a healthy lifestyle, including diet and exercise, when looking after our mind and body.

In Religious Education, our Big Question is: For Christians, what kind of king was Jesus? We will consider our response to this question through studying stories from the Bible and responding to Christian hymns.

To enhance our learning and promote a love of reading, we will be sharing the following book:

Set during World War II, Rose observes all the changes going on around her. One day she sees a little boy escaping from the back of a truck. Rose follows the truck to where she discovers many other children, staring hungrily from behind an electric barbed wire fence.

*Ian McEwan and Roberto
Innocent*



Homework:

Homework is given every Friday and is to be handed in by the following **Thursday**:

- The homework tasks are English, spelling and maths.
- Spellings are set weekly and tested on Friday; these focus on the statutory spellings and spelling rules from the National Curriculum for Years 5/6 that the children have been learning in school.
- Reading: we encourage all the children to read **at least 5 times a week** and discuss what they have read with an adult. This should then be recorded in their Accelerated Reader Reading Record. Please discuss new vocabulary with your child and record these words in the Reading Record.
- All children can access myON, an online platform giving them access to digital books, with their individual login, which can be obtained from the class teacher if needed.

<https://www.myon.co.uk/> A myON user guide is available on the school website in Class Pages.

P.E.:

P.E. will be taught by our sports coach Mr Moon or the class teacher.

P.E. lessons are on **Wednesdays and Thursdays**.

It is important that the children come to school in their PE kits on these days. This needs to include an outdoor kit which is joggers, sweatshirt and trainers and indoor kit which is shorts, T-shirt and plimsolls.

Health & Safety reminder:

Long hair must be tied back and no jewellery to be worn during P.E. lessons; if earrings cannot be removed, they require taping over (tape must be provided from home).

Water:

It is important that the children have a reusable water bottle in school each day so they can stay hydrated and are able to concentrate. The children have access to fresh water so they can refill their bottle as needed.

Dates for your diary:

School photographs: Tuesday 27th October 2026

Assessment week: week commencing Monday 2nd November 2026

Anti-bullying week: week commencing Monday 16th November

Maths morning: Thursday 19th November 2026

Christmas Fair: Thursday 26th November 2026

Year 6 History World War II Evacuation Theme Day: Tuesday 1st December 2026

Beauty and the Beast Pantomime & Christmas jumper day: Friday 11th December 2026

Christmas Church Service at St Simon and St Jude: Tuesday 15th December 2026

Keep looking at our pages on the website for information and activities. If you have any queries or questions at any time, then please feel free to telephone or email the school office.

Finally, keep an eye on Townland's Facebook page and Weduc for the latest updates and successes.