Etal Class Overview – Spring 1 2026

Subject	What we will learn this half term	
English	Our class focus this term is a story narrative based on the short film and book The Arrival by Sean Tann. 10 things in a soldiers pocket - poetry This half term we will produce a range of writing including: ● Narrative story ● Free write ● Poem	
Maths	Year 5 **Fractions** ● Find fractions equivalent to a unit fraction ● Recognise equivalent fractions ● Convert improper fractions to mixed numbers ● Convert mixed numbers to improper fractions ● Compare fractions less than 1 ● Order fractions less than 1 ● Compare and order fractions greater than 1 ● Add and subtract fractions with the same denominator ● Add fractions within 1 ● Add fractions with total greater than 1 ● Add to a mixed number ● Add two mixed numbers ● Subtract fractions ● Subtract from a mixed number ● Subtract from a mixed number – breaking the whole ● Multiply a unit fraction by an integer ● Multiply a non-unit fraction by an integer	Year 6 **Fractions** ● Add and subtract simple fractions ● Add and subtract any two fractions ● Add mixed numbers ● Subtract mixed numbers ● |Multistep problems **Multiplying fractions and dividing fractions by a whole number** ● Multiply two fractions, multiply the numerators and multiply the denominators.

- Multiply a mixed number by an integer
- Calculate a fraction of a quantity
- Fraction of an amount
- Find the whole
- Use fractions as operator

Multiplication and division
- Multiply up to a 4-digit number by a 1-digit number
- Multiply a 2-digit number by a 2-digit number (area model)
- Multiply a 2-digit number by a 2-digit number
- Multiply a 3-digit number by a 2-digit number
- Multiply a 4-digit number by a 2-digit number
- Solve problems with multiplication
- Short division
- Divide a 4-digit number by a 1-digit number
- Divide with remainders
- Efficient division
- Solve problems with multiplication and division

Decimals and percentages
- Decimal up to 2 decimal places. Order and compare up to 3 decimal places.
- Equivalent fractions and decimals (hundredths)
- Thousandths as fractions and decimals.
- Round decimals to the nearest whole number. Round to 1 decimal place.

- To divide a fraction by a whole number, convert it to an equivalent multiplication.
- Use efficient methods for dividing and multiplying fractions.

Converting Units
- Metric measures
- Convert metric measures
- Calculate with metric measures
- Miles and kilometres
- Imperial measures

Algebra
- function machines
- 2-step function machines
- Form expressions
- Substitution
- Formulae
- Form equations
- Solve 1-step equations
- Solve 2-step equations

	• Understand percentages and percentages as fractions. • Percentages as decimals. • Equivalent percentages, fractions and decimals.	SAT's practice – J OR and KM
Science	**Evolution and Inheritance** • Inherited traits • Apply knowledge to animals and plants • Investigate work of Mary Anning and Charles Darwin • History of the Human Race • Link animals which are extinct to those still living today	
Humanities (History & Geography)	**WW II – (History)** **Key question** What were the causes and consequences of WWII? • What have we learned about British history so far? • What happened in the early 20th century in Europe that paved the way for World War 2? • What is totalitarianism and how did totalitarian leaders push the world to war in the 1930s? • Why were children across Britain evacuated from major towns and cities and what was evacuation like? • What contribution did people from across the British Empire make to Britain's war effort? • How did the world change in the aftermath of World War 2?	
Art & D&T	**Drawing – Expressing ideas** • Identify key features of street art and murals. • Discuss the intention and impact of street art. • Use various shading techniques to show texture, tone, form and depth. • Apply one point perspective in their work. • Enlarge a drawing by scaling using an accurately drawn grid. • Show an understanding of perspective, scale and proportion with a level of accuracy across their design. • Choose appropriate materials for their design and explain their choices and intention.	

	● Use space effectively to enhance visual impact of their graffiti tag.
RE	Why do Hindu's want to be good?? Make sense of belief: ● Identify and explain Hindu beliefs, e.g. dharma, karma, samsara, moksha, using technical terms accurately. ● Give meanings for the story of the man in the well and explain how it relates to Hindu beliefs about samsara, moksha etc Understand the impact: ● Make clear connections between Hindu beliefs about dharma, karma, samsara and moksha and ways in which Hindus live ● Connect the four Hindu aims of life and the four stages of life with beliefs about dharma, karma, moksha etc. ● Give evidence and examples to show how Hindus put their beliefs into practice in different ways Make connections: ● Make connections between Hindu beliefs studied (e.g. karma and dharma), and explain how and why they are important to Hindus. ● Reflect on and articulate what impact belief in karma and dharma might have on individuals and the world, recognising different points of view
PSHE	Drugs education ● Drugs ● Medicine and health ● Influences ● Response to influences
PE	This half term some of Etal Class will go swimming on a Wednesday afternoon. We will have dance on a Tuesday afternoon and PE with NUFC on a Thursday- children should come to school in their PE kit on those days. We will also run the daily mile every afternoon!
Computing	Programming A – Variables in games ● Introducing variables ● Variables in programming

	● Improving a game ● Becoming a games designer ● Design a code ● Improving and sharing
Music	**N / A**
French	Shopping in France

Notices

Homework is set on Thursday for pupils to be completed online by the following Thursday. Homework diaries should be signed each week by a parent or guardian and pupils are expected to record independent reading in their homework diaries. Planners are taken in every Friday to be stamped.

Useful Links

Maths:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/
http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years
https://play.prodigygame.com/
https://play.ttrockstars.com/ttrs/dashboard
SAT's companion

English:

http://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar
https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/index.html
ReadTheory | Free Reading Comprehension Practice for Students and Teachers
SAT's Companion