



Shenley Primary School

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In **English**, we will be writing a range of pieces including:

- *A balanced argument
- *A non-chronological report
- *Dialogue

As writers, we will be:

- * Orally rehearsing our writing.
- * Using precise technical and effective vocabulary.
- * Varying the position of main, relative and subordinate clauses within sentences to create simple, compound and complex sentences

We will be reading



In **guided reading** sessions, we will be working on our inference and vocabulary skills. We will also develop our understanding of prosody and how it can make our reading more interesting for our audience.

Reading books will be changed as and when needed.

In **RE**, we will be learning about: Hinduism, Sikhism and Buddhism.

Our big question is: What does religion look like around the world?

In **maths**, we will be learning about:

Ratios, algebra and decimals

As mathematicians, we will
Use ratios, scale factors and proportion.
Begin to use algebra to solve problems and find unknown values.
Round decimal numbers accurately.
Add, subtract and multiply decimal numbers.
Improve speed and accuracy in mental arithmetic.

In **art**, our project is: Painting illusions

As artists, we will be studying Julian Beever, Ramon Bruin and Ant Steel.

We will explore the techniques artist use to create the illusion of perspective and use a variety of paint media to create artwork that contain optical illusions.

In **PE**, we will be learning about: Badminton and Gymnastics

We will be focusing on the skills needed to successfully play badminton and teamwork in creating group movements in gymnastics.

In **science**, our project is: Light

Our big question is: How does light travel and enable us to see?

As scientists, we will:

- *Design an investigation to prove that light travels in a straight line.
- * Investigate how shadows are formed and how they can change during the day.
- * Understand the difference between reflection and refraction.

In **design and technology**, our topic is: Moving toys and levers

Our big question is: How can you make a moving toy?

As toy makers, we will be exploring the use of cams and levers to create a moving toy.
We will have a clear design idea, measure carefully to ensure all parts fit together properly, and evaluate our toys against the design brief.

In **PSCHE**, we will be learning about: Dreams and Goals

We will be exploring what is needed to achieve our long and short term goals, how to stay motivated and keep calm when things get difficult.



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In **computing**, our project is: Networks and quizzing

We will be exploring what components make up a network and how they work. We will also be designing and using surveys to generate useful data.

In **French**, our project is: In my House

We will be focusing on learning and using vocabulary to describe our homes and the rooms that are in them.

In **music**, our topic is: Film music

We will be exploring how music can convey emotion and affect how an audience feels when watching a scene from a film.

General information

School doors open at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm.

Please provide your child with a water bottle (clearly named) and a healthy snack for morning break (no nut products or chocolate/crisps).

Children must wear correct uniform to school which can be found here: <https://www.shenleyprimary.co.uk/site/data/files/migrated/school-uniform/school-uniform-2024-25-website.pdf>

PE days are Tuesday and Friday

The link to see what lunch is available each day is <https://www.shenleyprimary.co.uk/pupils-choice-menu>

Homework

Homework is set on Friday and due in the following Thursday. Please encourage and support your child to complete the homework activities in their homework book. Copies of homework will be available on class dojo. Children should read for at least 20 minutes each day and sign their reading journal.

Useful websites

Times Tables Rock Stars: <https://trockstars.com/>

BBC Bitesize: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>