## St. Buryan Academy Termly Overview

## Reading/ Class Novel

Our class novel this term is 'Shackleton's Journey' by William Grill and 'Murder Most Unladylike' by Robin Stevens.

We will also cover year 5/6 texts as part of our whole class reading sessions. We will focus on VIPERS – Vocabulary, Inference, Predictions, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarise. We will read a variety of fiction, non-fiction and poetry, which will link to termly themes.

## **English**

We will start by immersing ourselves in our class text. We will write non-chronological reports, biographies, recounts linked to Shackleton's expedition. We will then spend time looking at narrative texts and writing our own settings for our own stories. Finally, we will read and analyse poems linked to our topic before writing and performing our own.

### Science

**Living things and their habitats -** A study into plants and animals.

**Evolution and inheritance** – A study into how plants and animals have adapted including: natural selection, offspring and genetics.

#### \*This term\*

Sporting – Cross Country and Hockey League

Mini Police Programme – 15th-18th December 2025

# Frozen Kingdom

Class: Year 5/6

WHAT MAKES THE POLES SPECIAL?



<u>PE:</u> We will be learning the fundamental skills involved in hockey and netball this term. We will also be swimming on a Thursday afternoon.

<u>Music:</u> This term we have a specialist music teacher teaching recorders. We also have a company called MADE to teach a combination of music, dance and art.

Computing: Schemes of learning Art/DT: We will develop our mastery of art and design techniques using sketching pencils and charcoal to create Antarctic animals. We will also study the illustrator William Grill and draw pictures in the style of his works. We also have MADE working on art projects throughout the term.

<u>French:</u> Our wonderful bilingual teacher, Mrs Wilson, will be teaching our French lessons.

Term: Autumn 2025

### Maths

We will start this term with a unit on place value followed by addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

The remainder of the term will focus on fractions including finding equivalents, simplifying fractions and calculating fractions.

Maths lesson will include a 15 minute focus on arithmetic and rapid recall of times tables & number facts followed by an hour on the focus objective for the day including a range of fluency, problem solving and reasoning questions.

## History/Geography

This term we will learn about the Polar Regions and the similarities and differences between them. We will learn about the significant figure - Ernest Shackleton and follow his expedition around Antarctica. We will also study maps and gain an understanding of their key leatures.

### RE:

What does it mean if Christians believes God is Holy and loving?

Why do Christians believe Jesus was the Messiah?

### **PSHE:**

Dreams and Goals – Aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding emotions

Being Me in My World - Who am I and how do I fit?