



ST. DUNSTAN'S

Year 5 Rationale

Autumn 2nd Half Term

The changing power of the Tudor Dynasty



This half-term, our learning journey will continue to centre on the themes of friendship and hope, with a historical focus on the Tudor dynasty, specifically the reign of Henry VIII and how power, leadership, and personal relationships shape history and society. As one of the most recognised monarchs in British history, Henry VIII made many important decisions that led England to become a recognised power across Europe. Our planned visit to Hampton Court Palace will further support children's learning by immersing them in the life and culture of Henry VIII's court.

In RE this half-term, we will be exploring prophecy and promise, as the children continue to discover the Old Testament. We will be delving into the stories of Samuel and King David, considering how leaders sought guidance from God and how David created a personal relationship with God and shared this with others, connecting to the theme of hope. We will discuss how these lessons relate to our own lives, encouraging the children to think about the importance of faith and trust.