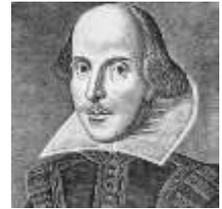


# Year 6

## Crime Over 1000 Years



Focus Book: *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare

### English

This half term we will be reading *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare. We will be writing a Shakespearean sonnet about Lady Macbeth, exploring who was truly responsible for the demise of King Duncan in a discussion text and writing a letter from Macbeth to his wife, Lady Macbeth.

### Maths

In maths we will continue to explore and learn written methods to solve calculations in fluency. We will also be learning all about fractions; we will order and compare fractions, add and subtract fractions and develop an understanding of mixed numbers and improper fractions. We will also be begin to study statistics.

### Science and History

#### Science

Key Questions:

What are the main parts of the circulatory system?  
 What impact does my lifestyle and diet have on my health?  
 What effect do different types of exercise have on my heartbeat?  
 How does the heart work?  
 How does the circulatory system work?  
 What happens when we breathe in and out?

#### History

Key Questions:

How were criminals punished 800 years ago and how do we know?  
 What does the legend of Robin Hood tell us about medieval justice?  
 More of the same? How did crime and punishments change between 1500 and 1750?  
 Why did punishments become so bloody in the 18<sup>th</sup> century?  
 Who was James Bellingham and why did he put St. Neots on the map?  
 Why did so much change happen in the 19<sup>th</sup> century?  
 Has the way we catch and punish criminals improved in the last 100 years?

#### Art and Design

Children will explore Manga Art – which is a style of comic. They will use their English unit to create their very own Manga comic.

#### Technology

In DT we will be making a CAMs toy using our woodwork skills and knowledge of mechanical systems.

#### Computing

In Computing we will be developing an understanding of data handling and linking this to our topics of Crime Over 1000 Years, and The Circulatory System.

#### PE

Year 6 will be extending their gymnastics knowledge and ability, in indoor PE sessions. Outside games will be tag rugby.

#### PSHE

This half term we will be looking at Anti-Bullying. We will focus on different types of bullying and how to seek help.

#### RE

The children will be learning about Buddhism. They will explore the question: What does it mean to be Buddhist?

#### Music

Children will be exploring jazz music and learn to play jazz using the glockenspiels.

#### Languages

French: The children will be exploring language around animals, specifically pets, this half term. They will learn to explain what pet they do or don't have, in French.

### Learning Values

#### Motivation

The children will show motivation when designing and performing their own sequences in gymnastics.

#### Responsibility

Through creating their very own Manga comic strip. Children will need to transfer their learning from English.

#### Collaboration

The children will be working together in outdoor PE, taking part in a team invasion game.

#### Perseverance

The children will persevere when making the CAMs toy and overcoming any issues they may face with the woodwork.

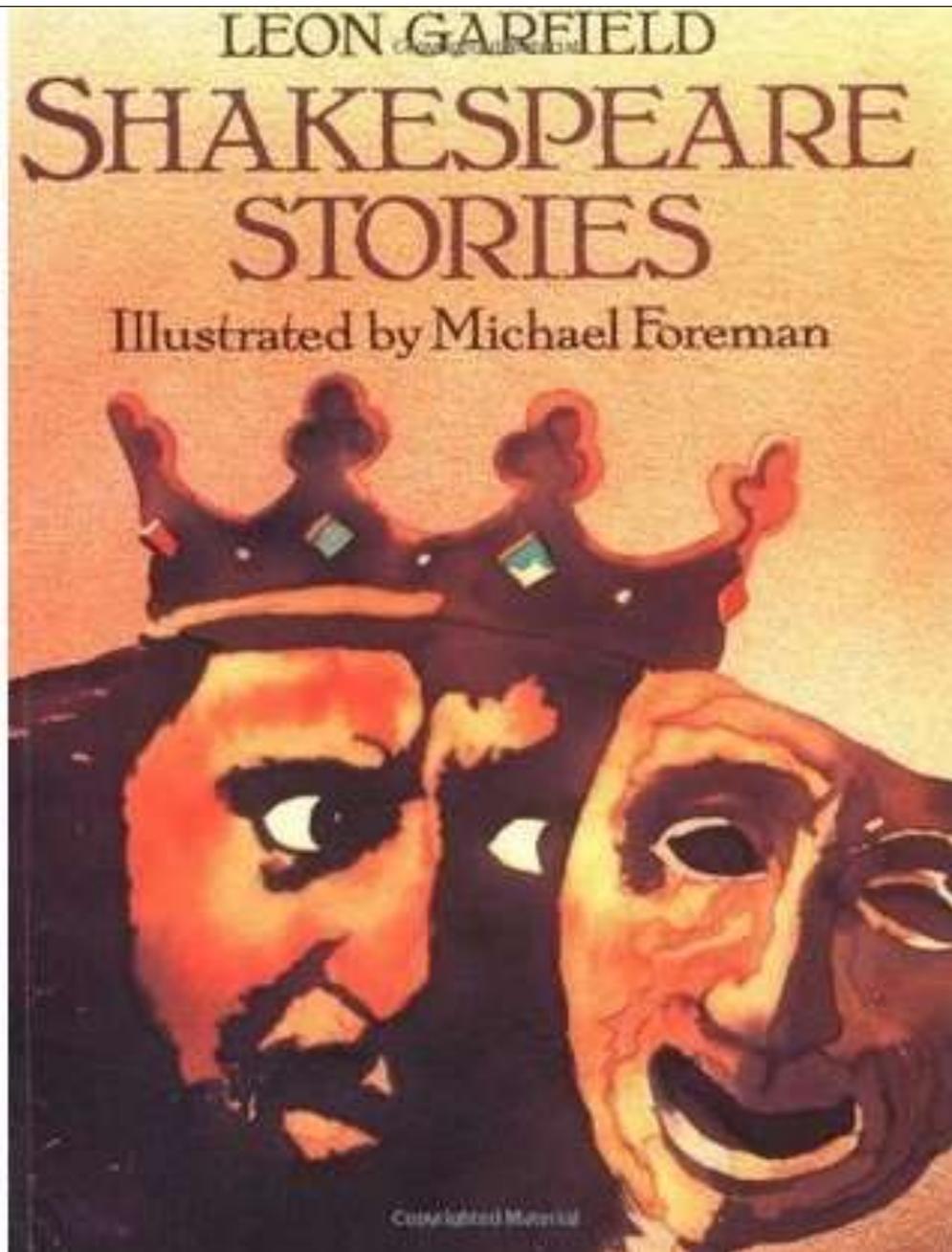
#### Discovery

The children will be discovering how our bodies keep us alive and healthy, through exploring the circulatory system.

#### Growth Mindset

This half term we will look at our barriers to learning and how we can overcome these.

**Macbeth**  
**by William Shakespeare (adapted by Leon Garfield)**



One dark and stormy night, three strange old women tell Macbeth that he will become King! Of course it's not possible, but their words give Macbeth a terrifying idea. If he kills King Duncan, he could seize the throne for himself. Murder most foul – if only it were that simple.

Other Recommended Reads Linked To This Theme:

Shakespeare Stories by Leon Garfield  
Shakespeare Stories 2 by Leon Garfield  
'Shakespeare Can Be Fun!' series by Lois Burdett  
Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare for Children by E.Nesbit  
Favourite Medieval Tales by Mary Pope Osbourn