

Autumn 1 Homework Projects

The Suitcase Story: Pack a real or cardboard box as if you were stepping onto the Empire Windrush. Choose 5 symbolic items that represent your identity, culture, or history to bring with you. Write a short luggage tag for each explaining why it is vital.	Backyard Bio-Blitz: Head into a garden, local park, or school field. Find 5 different living organisms (plants, insects, or birds) and create a mini-scientific branching database (a "Yes/No" classification key) to help someone identify them.	The Wardrobe Audit: Go on a scavenger hunt around the home to find 3 different types of bags (e.g., a backpack, a carrier bag, a handbag). Inspect them closely and list the materials used, the types of stitches or joins, and why that specific design works for its purpose.	The Capsule Vision Board: Create a collage using drawings or magazine cut-outs that represents your goals, hopes, and responsibilities for Year 6. What kind of person do you want to be in your school community this year?
Global Citizen Acts: Complete three small acts of kindness or responsibility at home or in your neighbourhood this week (e.g., helping with recycling, making someone a drink, checking on a neighbour). Write a brief reflection on how your actions impact your wider "world."	Family Tree Interview: Chat with an older family member or family friend. Ask them about a significant journey, move, or change they made in their life, and write down or record their top three memories of that transition.	The Absurd New Animal: Invent a completely brand-new animal or plant. Write a scientific profile detailing its kingdom, phylum, and class, explaining exactly why it belongs in those groups based on its physical characteristics.	Paper Prototyping: Grab some old newspapers, magazines, or scrap paper. Use tape, staples, or glue to engineer a 3D paper prototype model of a functional bag that could safely hold a water bottle.
The Fastener Challenge: Test different ways to secure a bag. Find items around the house that use zips, buttons, Velcro,	The Classroom Charter Comic: Design a short comic strip featuring a superhero who helps people follow a "Classroom	Poetry in Motion: Write a short poem about "belonging" or "identity" inspired by <i>Windrush Child</i>. Perform and record it as a poem video,	Kitchen Cupboard Taxonomy: Raid the kitchen cupboard with permission! Take 6 to 8 items (e.g., pasta shapes, tinned goods, fruit)

drawstrings, or poppers. Test which one is the fastest to open but the most secure, and rank them in a chart.	Charter." Show them resolving a conflict or helping a classmate feel included and valued.	or decorate it with vibrant illustrations that reflect the mood of the words.	and sort them into a classification layout based on their features, photographing or drawing your final sorting system.
Microbe Monster Hunt: Research helpful and harmful microorganisms. Design a "Wanted" poster for a microscopic organism (like a specific bacterium or virus) or a "Hero" billboard for a helpful one (like yeast used in bread making).	Upcycled Design Blueprint: Draw a detailed, labelled design blueprint for a brand-new bag made entirely from upcycled household waste or old clothes. Label the materials, dimensions, and where the functional stitching needs to go.	My Global Footprint: Draw a large footprint on a piece of paper. Inside the footprint, map out all the communities you belong to (e.g., your family, your class, a sports team, your town, the digital world) and write one way you contribute positively to each.	The "Did You Know?" Poster: Research a prominent Black British figure from history (such as Mary Seacole, John Blanke, or Claudia Jones). Create an eye-catching, fact-filled poster highlighting their incredible achievements.