

Year 5 Curriculum Letter -Autumn 1 2023

Happy New Academic Year!

We hope that you had a wonderful break and feel refreshed and ready to begin the new year! This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,
The Year 5 team

Neptune class - Julia Bridden, Kelly Coltman
Pluto Class - Darcy Rahn, Moshkura Choudury

Topic (History/ Geography)

Our new topic will be 'Britain and Beyond'. We will be exploring the UK, focusing on its geographical features including mountains and rivers, and comparing these to other countries within Europe.

English

This term in English, we will begin by focusing on 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo. We will be using this book to help develop children's writing skills within the context of fiction texts, myths and poetry. We will look at different text features and develop our writing skills across a range of genres. In addition, we will explore the magical world of 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Phillip Pullman to develop our reading skills. In guided reading lessons, we will support children in their developing literacy. Each week, we will also do comprehension, reading and spelling activities and continued handwriting practice to encourage pride in presentation.



Maths

Our first focus of the year will be on number and place value. This will include recapping and developing children's partitioning and calculation skills, leading onto addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Please continue to support your child at home by helping them to practice their maths facts and times tables!

Science

Our first topic is **Changes in Materials**. We will be looking at the properties of everyday materials, the relationship between different substances and demonstrate that dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible changes. We will give reasons, based on evidence from comparative and fair tests, for the particular uses of everyday materials,



Music

This year, the children will be having the wonderful experience of learning the ukulele. A letter detailing this further will be sent at a later date.

Art/DT

In our art lessons we will be creating 'Who Am I?' portraits and will look at famous artists including Tracey Emin and Lucian Freud.

PE

Our lessons will take place on Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure PE kits are worn on these days. Our first PE focus will be team games and our inside PE lessons will focus on games.

PSHE

In PSHE, we will be looking at targets for the year, how to be a good citizen and identify how we are responsible in the world

Spanish

We will focus on basic and conversational Spanish.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about how Christians try and follow Jesus' example and why.

Rough daily timetable:	Dates for the diary:
9:00-9:30 Reading	Friday 8 th September - Newsletter and homework sent out
9:30-10:45 English	Wednesday 27 th September - Year 5 football tournament 10am until 2pm
BREAK	Tuesday 26 th September - SEND parents coffee afternoon
11:05-12:15 Maths	Thursday 5 th October - ASD coffee morning
12:15-12:30 Assembly	Friday 6 th October- Y5 Local area walk
LUNCH	Monday 9 th October- Yr 5/6 - Reading parents coffee afternoon
1:30-2:30	Weds 11 th /Thurs 12 th October - Parents' evenings
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE	* End of Autumn 1 Term - Topic homework due
2:30-3:20	23 rd - 27 th October - Half term
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