

Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter

Welcome to Year Five.

We are delighted to welcome you back after the Christmas break. Year 5 have made an excellent start to the new year and we are looking forward to another full and fun packed term. We are excited for our trip to the planetarium during the third week back. Please watch this space for a letter detailing more, very soon! There are some slight changes to the timetable so please look carefully below. We will also be sharing our learning in class sharing assemblies so please keep an eye out for dates to come.

Who's who in the Year 5 team?

5F Class Teacher	Mr Foster
5H Class Teacher	Miss Harrison
Year 5 Teaching Assistants	Mrs Howard Mrs Bottomley Mrs Hodgeson

What is needed when?

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
•	Spelling test	 Library 	PE Kit		
•		book			• TTRS
		 PE Kit 			Reading Journals
					SPAG.com
					Arithmetic paper

Homework

In Year Five, it is really important to continue our good homework habits. Therefore, we are asking that you continue to take a little and often approach. The homework tasks given are essential skills and make a big difference to pupils' learning in class:

Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) - children complete 20 garage sessions each week online, using either a computer or tablet. This resets on a Friday morning. All children are issued with their TTRS login and password. Please keep this safe.

Spellings - these are handed out every Monday and tested the following Monday.

Reading - please read with your child every day if possible, but at least 5 times a week, for around 10-20 minutes. Please complete your child's Reading Journal.

Arithmetic- please complete the paper as consolidation from teaching in class

SPAG.COM- please complete online quiz as consolidation from teaching in class

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask us.

Spring term Curriculum Map

English:

Threats to the natural world

This topic is all about persuasion as we dive into threats to the natural world. We will be writing a persuasive text using appropriate vocabulary, description and sentence structure. We will refer to Greta Thunberg a lot as our reading driver.

Art: painting landscapes

We will be using the work of Vincent Van Gogh to



inspire landscapes of our own.

Computing Skills: coding

Children will be enhancing their coding skills programming on scratch.

Relationships and Health Education (RHE) Healthy lifestyles

Children will be looking into what makes a healthy diet and what influences food choices.

Maths

In maths we will be continuing to develop and master our multiplication and division recall. This will help the children when we move on to fractions. Throughout maths we will continue to practice all four operations and problem solving skills.

Geography- rivers

This is an exciting topic and will provide an opportunity for the children to go on a field study and see rivers in action.

Religious Education:

Sacred place
The children will explore
what sacred places mean
to Christians and
(including orthodox and
Roman catholic branches)
and the Sikhs

Physical Education
Children will be
showing their
creative side in
dance.

Spring continued Curriculum Map

English: Survival

We will be linking our geographical knowledge about the Amazon to our English where we will be using: The Explorer as a text driver. We will be creating our own narratives around an adventure for survival where we will include speech as our main skill.

Spanish

In Spanish we learn all about pets and animals.

Science-materials

This exciting unit lends itself to lots of experiments. We will be looking at different states of matter and how chemical reactions can effect the way things

change.

Music: Frozen lands

This unit "Frozen Lands" is based on developing the children's understanding of pitch and structure through the exploration of the D natural minor scale and a beautifully haunting piece of music – Arctic Breath.

Maths

We will be learning about Fractions including equivalent fractions, improper and mixed fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, multiplying fractions before focusing on decimals.

Religious Education: Belonging

This topic will be focusing on the Islamic religion and how they understand the concept of belonging. The children will follow the 5 step cycle: Inquire, contextualise, evaluate, communicate and apply.

DT: structures

We will be let loose with saws in woodwork. We will be looking at the structure of bird boxes and making one of our own.