Maths

This half term we will be looking at multiplication and division. From mental and written methods to application of our skills to reasoning and problem solving.

We will also cover fractions, statistics and time through this half term.

We will be ensuring that all children are fluent in their recall of times tables and related division facts to 12 x 12.

Reach for the Stars

Year 5

November - December 2026

English

Our English learning this half term focusses on narrative based on the book 'Leon and the Place Between' and a poem based on 'The Malfeasance'

Grammar sessions will support our English learning, giving new knowledge that can be applied in our writing.

Guided Reading sessions will continue to take place daily. This is where we practise and develop key reading skills. These skills will be applied through the week in a range of different ways.

We ask that you continue to encourage your child to read at home as often as possible and for you to comment in their Reading Record.

Geography – What is life like in the Alps

We will:

- Locate the Alps on a map;
- Locate key physical and human characteristics of the Alps;
- Describe physical and human features of an Alpine region;
- Investigate what there is to do in the local area;
- Understand similarities and differences between the local area and an Alpine area;
- To understand the human and physical geography of the Alps.

Science – Materials; properties and changes

We will be learning:

- To determine the hardness of materials;
- Determine the transparency of different materials;
- Determine the conductivity of different laterials;
- To demonstrate reversible and irreversible changes.

Music – Front Row Instrument lessons

PE – This half term Year 5 will be taking part in PE on both **Wednesday** and **Thursday** afternoons. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit.

DT – Wobble bots

R.E. – The children will be thinking about the question: 'What would Jesus do? Can we live by the values of Jesus in the 21st Century?

Computing – the children will focus on coding

PSHE – Health and Wellbeing

French – La Date

General Reminders

PE – PE will take place every Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Please make sure your child comes to school in their full, school PE kit.

Reading Books - Please make sure children have their reading books and reading journals in school every day.

Homework – Homework will be given to take home every Friday and handed back into school on Wednesday. It is important that you encourage and support your children with their homework, but please do not do it for them.

Times Tables – It is imperative that children regularly practise their times tables. As part of their homework, children will bring home weekly times tables. We will have a weekly Times Table quiz every Friday.

Water bottles - We encourage all children to bring in their own water bottle which they have access to throughout the day.

Snacks - Snacks at break time are fruit or cheese please.