

English- Reading & Writing



During this term we will be reading and analysing historical stories linking to our history topic of Ancient Egypt. Later we will study a selection of short stories and inspiring films. Children will develop their fictional and non-fictional writing through writing narratives, diary entries, formal/informal letters, monologues, biographies, journalistic reports and balanced arguments.

Grammar- Each lesson will begin with a grammar focused activity. This term we will be focusing on securing and developing more advanced punctuation, fronted adverbials, formal/informal vocabulary, modal verbs and cohesive devices to link paragraphs. The children will also be taught additional grammar lessons every Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Brobbin.

Spellings- These are taught daily and tested each Friday. Please practise regularly with your child at home. **The first test will be on Friday 11th September.**

RE- This half term we will be focusing on 'Creation and Covenant.' After half term we will also be learning all about Buddhism during Multi-Faith week. This will lead us up to our final unit which will be all about Advent and Christmas.



Guided Reading- Sessions are completed daily in class. Please continue to listen to your child read for at least 10 mins every day. Please record when your child has read in their home school records. Books are changed as and when needed in class 5. Your child can also read from their library books and online books through Purple Mash, if they have read their school reading books.

Class 5 Autumn Topic Grid



History- This term we will be traveling back to Ancient Egypt! We will examine a range of sources connected with its society, achievements, writing, religious beliefs and burial practices- considering how these sources shape our understanding of this ancient civilisation.

Geography- This term we will be learning about 'Rivers.' We will look at the geographical features, the water cycle and famous rivers in the UK and the world- including the River Nile in Egypt.

Science- Year 6 will be learning about 'Evolution and Inheritance' with Miss Green and Year 5 children will be learning about 'Material Properties' with Ms Lynch.

Forest Schools- The children will be participating in nature walks, woodland observations and 'Forest Schools' sessions approximately every three weeks. You will be notified when your child is in this session- **please ensure they have the appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear with them.**

Our Class Assembly will be on Friday 16th October at 2:50pm ☺

Other Key Dates- Y5 Bikeability 14th and 15th Sept, Meet the Teacher- 17th Sept, Change for Life Day- 9th Oct, Spooktacular Disco- 15th Oct, Parents Eve- 4th Nov, Multi-Faith Week- 16th Nov, Panto Trip- 8th Dec, Christmas Bingo- 11th Dec

Mathematics



Each maths lesson will consist of a 20-minute arithmetic session where we will practise our calculations and number skills. After this, we will then use these skills and apply them to solving problems. Over the Autumn term we will be focusing on:

- Place value,
- Addition and Subtraction
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Multiplication and Division
- Negative Numbers
- Ratio

Children will continue to be tested weekly on their times tables knowledge. Information for each test will be inside their reading records. **Tests are on Fridays with the first one on Friday 11th September.** Please continue to help your child to practise these regularly and log into TT Rock Stars!



PE and Dance- Lessons will be on **Wednesdays and Thursdays** every week. This term we are focusing on Striking and Fielding games. In dance and gymnastics, the children will be taught by Mrs Denton.

Please ensure that your child has their indoor and outdoor PE kit in school, every week. If you're child has plain stud earrings these need to be either removed or tape provided to cover them during sessions.

Music- We will be listening, appraising, improvising and composing music on the recorders this term. We will learn about 80's Rock Music and our focus song- 'Living on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi. We will also be listening to and appraising the work of early 20th century composer Stravinsky this term.

This topic plan is an outline of the learning planned for your child this term, so you can, if you wish, enhance learning at home. Please note it may be changed as learning is influenced and directed by the children in lessons.

Homework- This year we are reducing homework (R-Y5) and asking children to focus on reading daily for 10 mins and learning their spellings and times tables facts.

Year 6 children will begin their weekly SATs revision homework after the October holidays.

Computing- We will be learning about 'Databases' this term. The children will create their own databases as well as query existing databases to find information that they are being asked for. We will also be focusing on 'Managing Online' as part of our Internet safety focus this term.

PSHE- This term we will be learning about Children's rights and our responsibilities whilst creating our own class charter. We will also be focusing on developing understanding of how to manage emotions and continuing our weekly 'Behaviour Curriculum' lessons.

Art/DI- In art we will be looking at the Egyptian inspired artist Amedeo Modigliani and later design and create our own Egyptian Masks using Mod-Roc. In DT we will be creating a moving toy/picture using a cams mechanism.

French- This term our topic is 'Pleased to meet you!' Here we will be recapping previous learning and focusing on introductions, describing feelings and learning how to pronounce the French alphabet.

