



Year 5 Summer 2 Curriculum

Maths

This half term, Year 5 will be further develop our understanding of decimals, adding and subtracting them. We will be learning about negative numbers and converting units of measure. We will also learn about calculating volume in shapes.

English

This half term we will be continuing to read *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell. We will also read a short picture booked called, *The Real Story of the Three Little Pigs* - Jon Scieszka. We will be writing for a range of purposes: a narrative, a set of instructions and a newspaper report. We will also be developing our SPAG knowledge and continuing to master the Year 5 punctuation and grammar. We will be revising speech punctuation in dialogue and using expanded noun phrases/ prepositional phrases.



Breakout

This half term in Breakout we will be discussing and learning about lots of different topics. We will be debating whether animal testing should be banned. We will be discussing water safety, the importance of competition and also how to deal with our feelings when we are feeling down.

RE

This half term's RE question is: What matters most to Humanists and Christians? Within this topic, we will learn about the beliefs of humanists and Christians about being good and bad. We will discuss values of both and how these help people to make good choices.

D&T

In this D&T unit we will be creating a fabric stuffed animal. We will be using computer aided design software to create a pattern for our animal design. We will then be using a range of techniques (including sewing) to join our pieces together.



Reading

This half term we will be further developing our reading skills. We will have daily reading lessons which focus on the 5 reasons to read: fluency, vocabulary, fact retrieval, comprehension and authors intent.

In addition to this, we will be continuing to use Accelerated Reader to choose and read books in school and at home. The children should be reading at home **at least 3 times a week** to an adult, who should also be signing their reading diary. We will also be continuing with Reading Plus.

Science

In Science, our topic is animals including humans. We will be having a visit from the school nurse to discuss all things related to puberty. We will also look at the changes humans undergo when growing older. We will compare gestation periods and life expectancies in a variety of animals.



How You Can Help Your Child.

I know as parents /guardians you are keen to help your child at home with their learning. Here are some suggestions of websites you can use:

Timestable Rockstars (TTRS) this is a great program for practicing timestables. Timestables helps in most areas of maths and the children should be aiming to be quick and accurate in the recall of these.



Reading Plus—This is an excellent reading program for UKS2 children. It allows the children to access a wide variety of books, whilst helping them practice their comprehension and vocabulary skills. Alongside this, it also helps them to improve their fluency.

BBC Bitesize—This is a great resource full of lessons and educational games which the children could access if they are especially interested in a topic or would like more practice at something they have done in class.



Also our school Website is full of links to other websites to help with our learning.

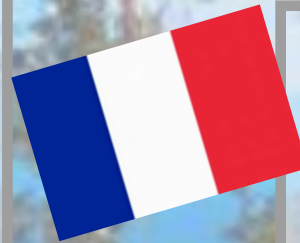


PE

Some of Year 5 will be continuing to take part in swimming Lessons. (You will have received a message if your child is taking part in this) This will take place every Tuesday afternoon. Children need to bring a swimming kit with them to school, this is: Swim shorts/ trunks, a one piece swimming costume, a towel, goggles are optional and a swim cap for children with long hair.

Children should come to school in their normal school uniform, but they will require a coat and sensible footwear as they will walk to and from the swimming baths every week come rain or shine (children can come to school in trainers).

If your child is not swimming, they will be taking part in PE on Tuesday in school.



French

In this half term's French lessons, our theme will be: At the Seaside. We will be learning how to say items you will find at the beach. We will also learn how to discuss the seaside. We will read about the seaside in French too.



Homework

Spelling—a spelling list will be given out each Friday, and pupils are expected to complete their spelling logs and return this to class for the following Friday, where they will complete a test. The results of this will be shared in the spelling logs.

Reading— we expect that children share their reading with an adult three times per week at home, although we do encourage children to read daily. As usual, we ask parents to help by communicating through the reading homework diaries but please message me on Class Dojo if there are any problems.

Other—Occasionally children may be asked to complete other homework tasks related to other areas of the curriculum, for instance an English task or a Science activity. These will be communicated via Class Dojo.

Geography

Our geography topic for this half term is South America. We will be locating countries and capital cities within South America and learning about the human and physical geography in some of these places. We will also learn how to locate places using 4-digit and 6-digit grid references and using longitude and latitude. We will also be learning about biomes, vegetation belts and climate zones across the world.