

English

In English we will be continuing to develop pupils' fluency and comprehension skills through daily English lessons and guided reading sessions. Pupils will continue to read, enjoy and discuss a range of high-quality age appropriate text across a variety of genres. Our class book for the summer term is *The Boy at the Back of the Class* which is sure to test the pupils' prediction and inference skills.

The children will be writing fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. Where possible our model texts will link to other areas of study. Our writing skills are then applied throughout the curriculum and in free-writing opportunities.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar curriculum requirements will also be a key focus.

Science

The topic for the first half term is a physics topic where we will be looking at how we separate materials. The children will be doing a range of experiments to help with their learning of this topic.

Computing

E-safety remains the priority in computing lessons. Year 5 are learning how to use selection when programming.

Art/D.T.

Year 5 will be designing their own stuffed toys as part of our textiles unit.

Some dates for your diary:

4th May – Bank holiday

25th – 29th May – Half term

12th June – Mufti day for Art

15th June – Sports Day

30th June – School nurse for puberty talk

2nd July - Geography walk to Himley

Please see the calendar on our website for up-to-date details.

Summer Term Curriculum Newsletter Year 5

Welcome Back

Our year 5 team are:

Miss Rolinson, Miss Howe, Mrs

McDonald, Miss Carty, Mrs Greenway

History and Geography

For this term our geography studies will focus on the Western United States. We will be using a variety of resources including Digimaps to identify the similarities and differences between the U.K. and the western parts of North America.

We will also be learning about what trees, plants and animals are in our local ecosystem. To support with this topic, we will be walking to Himley to make observations.

In history, our topic will be The Mayan civilisation in the 10th and 11th centuries. The children will continue to learn about British and world history and look to establish how significant events in the past influence our lives today.. Throughout our work, we will be noting connections, contrasts and trends over time and developing the appropriate use of historical terms.

Maths:

In maths, year 5 will be continuing their work on fractions including addition, subtraction and multiplication. They will be learning about square and prime numbers to help with their factorisation knowledge. After this, the children will then move onto area and volume. Finally, the children will be learning about regular and irregular polygons including angles.

Useful Websites: TT Rock Stars, Hit the Button, BBC Bitesize, and Topmarks.

Homework will be given out weekly in Maths and English.

Year 5 pupils are expected to read at least twice a week and change their home reader books regularly.

P.E.: PE this term focuses on striking and fielding, and athletics. 5R will be continuing to learn their dance. Year 5R's PE is on a Tuesday and 5H's PE is on a Thursday.

Music: Year 5 are looking at music and links to South and West Africa before they move on to learn about musical theatre.

P.S.H.E.: This unit will involve looking at the positive and negative use of social media and other content online.

RE: Our RE work this term focuses on Caring for the Earth. We will end the term learning about Ways of Worship.