



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Year 5 | Autumn Term

English

We will be beginning the year with the picture book, 'The Night of the Gargoyles', where children can use the amusing story to consolidate and build on different writing techniques. We will be using descriptive language and looking at using different types of figurative language in our writing, starting with similes and metaphors. Grammar will be taught through our English lessons. Spellings will be introduced on a Monday and children will practice these all week.

Maths

We are beginning the year looking at place value of numbers up to 1,000,000. Place value learning will link with decimal numbers, negative numbers and Roman numerals. After we will be looking at adding and subtracting numbers using mental and written methods then we will finish the half term investigating area, perimeter and volume of shapes. As well as this, we will continue practising our recall

Geography

This term we will be studying the continent of Europe. We will be using an atlas and online resources to identify all the countries within Europe and look at the human and physical features of this continent. We will be studying the climate of different countries as well. We will also be looking at how Europe rates as a continent

History

This term, we will be looking at the Tudor period. We will be researching historical figures such as Henry VIII and his six wives. We will be investigating how the reformation of the church came about and why. We will be looking at how the Tudor era has had an impact on our lives today and discuss how effective Henry VIII was as a leader.

Science

We are studying forces, where we will be investigating gravity and understanding the effects of friction. We will be looking at air and water resistance and will create and test mechanisms. After half term, we will be exploring space and learning more about the Earth, sun and moon as well as how the seasons occur.

RWV

We are exploring the question, 'Why should we be good?' During our lessons we will find out what great philosophers teach about the meaning of life. We will be exploring philosophical questions and different religious perspectives.

General Reminders

Homework will consist of:

Homework grid

TT Rockstars

Spellings

Daily reading

PE is on Monday and Thursday. On PE days, children may come into school in their PE kits. Please make sure they are wearing navy tracksuit and school logo polo, trainers. Children are not allowed to wear earrings. KS2 pupils will not be provided with a snack and must bring their own healthy snack if wanted.

Please ensure that your child brings in a named bottle of water.