

English

In English our focus will be fiction. We will be focusing on the book called Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce. From the study of this book, we will be writing a persuasive speech and a narrative. We will develop our skills of using description and a range of sentence structures, as well as including our knowledge of Year 5 spelling, punctuation and grammar.

We will continue to practise the Year 5/6 words.

During all lessons, we will continue to focus on a high standard of presentation, including joined handwriting.

Curriculum - History

This term, our curriculum focus is History. Our learning question is, 'What is the lasting legacy of the Mayans?'

We will learn about; what the Mayan world was like, why trade was so important for them, what they were good at and what happened to the Maya.

By the end of unit, we will be able to construct a timeline of events, understand how their life changed overtime and describe their cultural and religious beliefs.

Maths

In **Year 5** this term we will continue to consolidate our previous maths learning every day using our Do Now Activities and rapid recall tests. New learning will consist of Shape and then we move onto Position and Direction. We will do daily times tables practise using TTRS. Please continue to support your child to practise their recall of all times tables up to 12 x 12. Your child will be working through a personal plan of times tables which they need to learn. The ability to recall these facts more confidently would be hugely beneficial.

Science

This term, we will be making learning all about living things and their habitats. Our lessons will teach us about plants and their parts. How mammals and plants reproduce and how to classify different mammals due to their features.

Reading

Please continue to share the love of books with your child. Encourage them to read/share books at least 5 times per week. This should be recorded on one page per week of the Reading Record with a comment and appropriate details. Reads will be counted **every Monday**. Reading should be a delightful experience and we encourage you to revisit and re-read favourite books and stories. Happy readers become confident readers.

Our PE Days

Our PE day is every **Monday**. Please ensure that children have correct full outdoor and indoor PE kit in school. Long hair should be tied back and **earrings removed** as outlined in the school's uniform policy on our website. We would prefer them not to use plasters over earrings for health and safety reasons.

Wider Curriculum

Computing - Information Technology - animation

PSHE - Relationships

Music - Charanga

PE - Outdoor Athletics and Cricket

Spanish - Pets

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Learning Outcome

After this unit of History learning, children will have an understanding of the Mayan civilisation. Through investigation and actual study of this the children can then develop their own opinion as to what the impact of the Mayan civilisation was.

Homework

Each half term the children will be set homework. This will be in the form of a homework menu. The children should choose 5 pieces to complete over the term. The children may also be set some extra Maths / English work if needed. Please continue to learn your times tables.