

## English

In English our focus will be fiction. We will be focusing on the book called *Floodland* by Marcus Sedgwick. From the study of this book, we will be writing a persuasive speech and a poem.

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.

## Our PE Days

Our PE afternoon 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

ICT - Computer Science

PSHE - Dreams and Goals

Music - Singing with Mrs Gooch

PE - Hockey and Dodgeball

Spanish - Seasons

## Curriculum - Geography

### How do rivers and seas influence where we live?

This term, our curriculum focus is Geography/

We will be using geographical skills to discover and understand physical characteristics of rivers and how the Water Cycle impacts our way of living.

Furthermore, we will revise and recall key landmarks around the world – continents- and discuss the advantages and disadvantages of living by the Sea.



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## Learning Outcome

After this unit of Geography learning, children will have an understanding of how rivers and seas influence where we live. Through investigation and actual study of this the children can explain why rivers and seas are important to people and influence where they live.

## 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

## 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 Multiplication and Division and then we move onto Fractions. 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  $12 \times 12$ . 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 half term Year 5 will be learning about Forces. We will be looking at air and water resistance as well as friction. We will be carrying out investigations to find out why unsupported objects fall to the ground.

## 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.