

CLASS 5 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



ENGLISH

Mystery Story

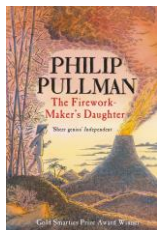


A mystery story is a story where a crime is committed or a surprise event occurs. The detective tries to solve the case following a variety of clues. However, some clues may turn out to be 'red herrings' and lead our main character away from finding out the truth.

We will be learning how to create interesting and engaging characters as well as how to keep our readers on the edge of their seats without revealing the true identity of the culprit too soon.

Recommended Reading for Pleasure

Our class reading book is *The Firework-Maker's Daughter* - Philip Pullman. Full of hilarious, loveable characters, this is the book they will want to read over and over again.



IMPORTANT DATES

David Ramshaw from the Border Astronomical Society – 30th January

Trinity Observatory Visit – 2nd February. 6pm – 8pm (optional)

Visit to Carlisle Cathedral – 2nd February

HSA Valentine's Disco – 15th February

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SCIENCE

Earth and Space



These engaging lessons will provide the class with an opportunity for interesting topics for discussion, including the movement of the Sun, Earth and Moon, day and night, seasons and phases of the Moon.

In Year 5 children will learn about space, specifically:

- The cause of day and night.
- How the Moon orbits the Earth.
- How the Earth moves in relation to the Sun.
- That the Earth, Sun and Moon are roughly spherical.

DEAR PARENT

We hope that this newsletter provides you with some key information about what your child will be learning this half term and how you can support this at home.

PE will be on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

It will help your child if you could support them in learning and practising all of their times tables.

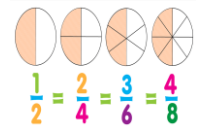
You could also support at home by hearing them read and talking to them about what their books are about.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Lambert and Mrs Porter (Class Teachers)

MATHS

Fractions



This half term the children will be:

- Comparing and ordering fractions whose denominators are all multiples of the same number.
- Converting from mixed numbers to improper fractions
- Adding and subtracting fractions whose denominators are multiples of the same number.
- Multiplying proper fractions and mixed numbers by whole numbers.

Multiplication and Division

This half term the children will also be learning a variety of strategies for multiplying and dividing numbers.

We will look at the practical methods and more formal written methods for recording our calculations.

Children need to be practising ALL of their times tables to help them be more fluent and accurate.

HISTORY

The Mayans

Uncover the mysteries of the Mayan civilisation with this fascinating topic. Start by taking a trip deep into the rainforests of Central America as you explore Mayan ruins and from there embark on a journey that will help you uncover the life, society and civilisation of both ancient and modern Mayan people.



RELIGION AND WORLDVIEWS

Why are places of worship important to different religious believers?

Super Skills

- Raise and begin to answer questions about identity and belonging.
- Treat others with respect and begin to recognise and challenge discrimination.

Knitted Knowledge

- Learn about the places of worship for different religions, what they look like, what happens here and what special items they have.
- Learn about how and why places of worship are important to different faiths.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP



LOVE

“Love is patient and kind,love never fails” 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

What does love feel like to you?

Can you think of some words of your own to finish the sentence ‘love is.....?’

What could you do to help spread love and kindness to others?

ART

Sculpture and Structure

This half term the children will be exploring and experimenting with a range of materials to create realistic 3D artworks.

Knitted Knowledge

- We will take creative risks and gain confidence to try new skills and techniques.

Super Skills

- We will use inks and a range of tools to create detailed observational drawings.
- We will create 3D models using a range of materials.

“You have only failed if you have given up. Until then, it is called Learning”



PSHE

Dreams and Goals

This half term help children think about their hopes and dreams, their goals for success, what personal strengths are, and how to overcome challenges, via team work skills and tasks.

There is also a focus on enterprise and fundraising. Children learn about experiencing and managing feelings of pride, ambition, disappointment, success; and they get to share their aspirations, the dreams and goals of others in different cultures/countries, and their dreams for the world.

PE

Fitness

Pupils will take part in a range of fitness challenges to test and record their scores. They will learn different components of fitness including speed, stamina, strength, coordination, balance and agility.

Yoga

The class will be learning a variety of Yoga poses and flows and creating their own in groups. Children will practise different flows to develop flexibility and strength and develop the quality and control of their movements.

MUSIC

This half term we learning the song ‘Make You Feel My Love’. The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, elements of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments are all linked. As well as learning to sing, play, improvise and compose with this song, children will listen and appraise other Pop Ballads.

FRENCH

I know that nouns in French are masculine or feminine.

I know that adjectives of colour follow the noun in French.

I know some important landmarks in Paris.

I can make sentences about what there is in certain places.