

Important Events

Year 5 Trip – 16/03
World Book Week – 26/02 – 02/03
World Book Day – 01/03
World Book Week film day – 02/03
End of term – 29/03

Homework

Homework is handed out on **Friday** and should be returned the following **Wednesday**. Homework will consist of tasks that will consolidate the work they have learned that week and from time to time, a challenge related to their topics. A regular part of homework will be weekly spellings, this is preparation for their spelling test every Friday but we will practice them *daily*. From this half term, we will be giving maths homework via www.mymaths.co.uk

Every half term we will be giving out a ‘take-away menu’ which is a Humanities based homework. We have explained to the children how this works so you could support them in their research! How spicy will you go?

Year 5 trips

Our trip to Hugh Myddleton School, for ‘Debate Mate,’ was a great success and we’re all really eager for the next round. We all loved our morning of Shakespeare at Heartlands and learned some valuable new skills in art and music.



Venezuela and Puerto Rico Year 5 Spring 2



Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 1 Summary and Spring 2 Information

Spring 1 has been a great success. The introduction of Mr Schmitz (Upper KS2 phase leader) to the team has been seamless and the class and year group have settled really well.

‘Maths No Problem’ across the school has been widely enjoyed, but has taken some getting used to. By the beginning of next half term, however, year 5 know what to expect in every lesson, with a particular focus on reasoning.

As we come to the end of the year, the focus on learning outcomes in year 5 will be greater but we are all ready for the challenge!

Miss Mackey and Mr Schmitz

We will be looking at a variety of play scripts, which will incorporate drama, in order to enhance our understanding of the key features of these. There will be real life examples, as well as children writing their own. We will return to poetry, with a focus on narrative poetry, with examples from Benjamin Zephania.

We will be revisiting multiplication and division. We will also be looking at graphs and tables, incorporating time tables and distance/time graphs. Fractions resurface and we will be focusing on adding and subtracting these, as well as multiplying mixed numbers and improper fractions. There will, of course, be lots of word problems to help with all the reasoning!

In the next half term, we will be looking at lifecycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds, while comparing these to humans. We will also look at the different gestation periods of different animals; comparing the similarities and differences of these. As it is spring, there will be plenty of opportunities for children to keep their eyes out for new life in the wild!

PSHE & RE Relationships

We will be talking about and focusing on our feelings in different relationships; in school and at home. We will be considering honesty, loyalty, bullying and changing life events.

English

Play Scripts
Narrative Poetry
Explanation Texts

Maths Maths- No problem!

Science

Animals including
Humans

Computing

We will be studying
java script and how
to create our own
websites.

Art and DT

Romero Britto

Physical Development

Our time at swimming has unfortunately come to an end, so P.E. will be dance and outdoor P.E. will be cricket. Both classes will have P.E. on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Humanities Planet Earth

This links really nicely to last term's science topic of Earth and Space, so children should already have knowledge of the Earth. They will learn about its structure and how it works, with a greater focus on geography.

We will have an art day this half term, where we will focus on the works by Romero Britto. The key focus will be collage and paint, after exploring and evaluating Britto's neo-pop art. Paintbrushes at the ready!