

Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 5 - Spring 2

English

This half term, we are reading Arthur - High King of Britain by Michael Morpurgo. We will be learning about how King Arthur became the monarch and exploring a range of writing styles:

- Writing an instruction text on how to successfully remove the sword from the stone.
- Writing a narrative suitable for KS1 children which retells the story of King Arthur.
- Writing a diary entry from the perspective of Arthur.

We will continue to have daily spelling, punctuation and grammar lessons.

Mathematics

In Maths this half term we will be:

- Ordering and comparing decimals
- Exploring thousandths on a place value chart
- Rounding to the nearest number
- Comparing decimals up to 3 decimal places
- Percentages as fractions
- Percentages as decimals

As always, we will be regularly practising our timetables skills and arithmetic skills across all operations.

Science

In science this half term we will be focusing on how living things change over time.

We will be investigating the reproduction of some plants and exploring how seeds are dispersed through animals, water, wind and plants themselves.

In addition, we will investigate the work of David Attenborough and Jane Goodall, looking at their studies of plants and animals.

Homework

It is essential that your child completes all homework set. This will a range of activities including:

- Learning spellings from statutory word lists
- Reading regularly at home
- Online maths activities set weekly

Geography

In Geography this term we are exploring what makes mountains so magnificent. We will be using atlases and globes to identify key mountain ranges across the world before observing their main features, focusing specifically on UK mountains. We are then going to create our own models of mountains to help us learn more about how they are formed!

Computing

In Computing we will be designing our own websites! We will start by understanding and analysing what makes a good website before creating our own using a range of multimedia.

DT

In DT this term we will be learning about alarms and how they function. We will look at existing products before designing and making our own working alarms.

Growth Mindset

Our focus this half term is to implement our Growth Mindset stars in school. We will be looking for kindness, curiosity, grit and determination, optimism, teamwork and self-control.

RE

In RE we will be learning about the Last Supper in the Easter story. The children will then learn about Holy Communion and what it symbolises. We will then look at linking both events together.

PE

We will be taking part in invasion games and swimming! Over the half term will be practicing dribbling and passing into spaces, defending and different swimming strokes. We will also be taking part in weekly Commando Joe.

Music

This term we will be taking part in our weekly singing assembly. Also, the children will have an outside provider teaching the children a variety of music for Ukuleles as well as musical notation.



Class Blogs –

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