

Half-Termly Curriculum Overview for Year 5

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Maths

To learn about multiples, factors and multiplication and division techniques

Outcomes: Children will be able to:

Develop their understanding of factor pairs

Learn that a factor is a whole number that multiplies by another number to make a product

Multiply and divide by 10 and 100

Informal written methods for multiplication

Multiply a 2-digit & 3-digit number by a 1-digit number

Divide a 2-digit & 3-digit number by a 1-digit number

English

In English this term, Year 4 will be learning how to write a persuasive text. The children will need to consider how to persuade their reader to agree with their point of view and use a variety of persuasive techniques to achieve this! This unit will build on their previous learning.

We will also regularly practise our handwriting and spelling.

In whole-class reading, we will complete Kensuke's Kingdom and look at range of non-fiction texts.

Topic

Following on from our previous topic of World War Two, this half term we will be learning about The Cold War, what it was and the key countries involved.

Some of the activities for our topic include:

*Researching the countries of the Cold War.

*Learning about the differences between Capitalism and Communism

* Finding out about major events in the past that have impacted the world, such as the Cuban Missile Crisis; Space Race and Arms Race.

We'll also be:

*Undertaking research about the Proxy Wars in the Cold War period.

*Producing written reports linked to our learning in class.

*Having fun creating our own piece of art to represent the themes of the Cold War

Year 5 – We're Evolving

PHSE - Dreams and Goals

Outcomes: Children will be able to reflect on dreams for the future and how to set realistic goals that can help them to realise and achieve those dreams and hopes.

Religious Education

Christianity - What does it mean to be a Buddhist?

Outcomes: Children will be able to:

Reflect on suffering in our world and the various causes; learn about the eight-fold path, and the four noble truths and their importance in Buddhism.

Computing

To develop their knowledge of spreadsheets.

Physical Education - Cricket

We will be focussing on badminton and Gymnastics for this half term.

Please bring your PE Kit on a Monday and Friday



Music

Year 6 continue their choral singing sessions with Mr Cook from the Paul's Cathedral Choral Music Programme.

French

We continue develop our vocabulary around a French town

Science

This half term, our topic is 'We're Evolving.'

We will be learning about the following

- learn about how animals adapt to their environments
- learn about survival of the fittest
- learn about dinosaurs and fossils
- Visiting the Natural History Museum.

Parents

How Can You Help?

If your child has been selected for a **Booster**, please ensure that they attend the sessions. Please encourage your children to practise their time tables and use their TTRS login.*

Reading: Children are expected to read and/or do reading Guided homework every night and bring their books into school **every day**. Spelling tests take place every Wednesday.

Maths & English Homework: Children will receive homework for Maths, English and Spelling homework every Friday via Purple Mash. Please encourage your child to complete this. ***Times Tables Rock Stars**