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Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

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English

During spring term, we will be looking at non-chronological reports and comparing poetry and performance. There will also be a book study of *Oranges in No Man's Land*. Children will continue to learn weekly grammar, spelling and develop their handwriting.

Mathematics

From now until Easter, units will include: number patterns and rules to help divide and multiply; geometry; weight conversion; revision of written addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; properties of shape; and improper fractions and mixed numbers.

Science

This term we will be studying 'Living Things and their Habitats' and 'Light'. Children will also be testing their scientific skills during special sessions at the Lancaster Academy, where they will be solving a murder mystery using forensic science techniques.



PE

This term children will be completing a unit of work from Real Gymnastics for their indoor sessions and a range of games skills in outdoor sessions.

RE

The children will study Sikhism, answering the questions: What is a Gurdwara? Who was Guru Nanak?

We are hoping to go to visit a local Gurdwara later in the term.

Computing

Children will be coding using Purple Mash and, after half term, they will be working on the Game Creator programme to design their own games, also on Purple Mash.

Geography

We will be learning about Mountains and finding out about different types of mountain formations, how they were formed and where they are in the world.

Art & Design

Children will be developing their painting and drawing skills this term, focussing on light and dark in the second half term.

PSHCE

From now until Easter, we will be looking at how to lead healthy lifestyles, citizenship and diversity.

French

We will be learning vocabulary linked to money and shopping in French. We will learn numbers up to 100 and find out how to ask for things in a shop.

Music

This term the children will learn how to play the recorder alongside listening to some famous composers. We will focus on tempo, dynamics and pitch.

Important Information

- Reading and library books: some children will participate in the Accelerated Reader Scheme, which develops their comprehension skills. Other children will work through colour-banded books. Children should read regularly at home as well as reading in school.
- Spellings will be given on a weekly basis.
- Times tables: by Year 5 children should know all their times tables to 12 x 12. We use many methods in school to support this but children will benefit from extra practice at home.
- Homework will be given out on a Friday and is due back the following Wednesday.
- PE will continue to be on Wednesdays. Your child is expected to come to school in full PE kit, including appropriate footwear, and a jumper during colder weather. All jewellery must be removed and long hair tied back.
- Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day to stay hydrated.