



# Granby Primary School

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## Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter



### Autumn 2022

#### English

During the autumn term, we will complete a book study of 'Leon & The Place Between', which will help us look at descriptive language. We will also read extracts from 'The Atlas of Adventures', which links to our geography topic, to learn about using relative clauses in our sentences and to write persuasively. In addition to this, children will be continuing to learn about and improve their punctuation, grammar, spelling and handwriting.

#### Mathematics

From now until the end of term, our maths units will include: number and place value; mental and written methods for addition and subtraction; decimals, percentages and their equivalence to fractions; and time, including 24-hour timetables. Slightly longer lessons will continue this year to allow teachers to check all concepts are understood and gaps are filled.

#### Science

This term we will look to develop an understanding of forces. Pupils will learn about different types of forces, including gravity and friction. In the second half term we will be studying Earth and Space.

#### Computing

Using Purple Mash, we will begin with a topic about the importance of online safety. We will then move on to using spreadsheets and databases.



## PE

This term, pupils will be improving their reaction, response, ball handling and cognitive skills in our PE lessons. We will also be doing a unit on dance.

## RE

From now until the end of term, the children will be studying Christianity and will be learning about the Old Testament and New Testament in the Bible.

## History

The Anglo Saxons will be our topic this term. Pupils will learn who they were, where they came from, why they came and how they influenced British history.

## Geography

This term, we will be studying North America and its human and physical geographical features, including map work, mountains, rivers, national parks, politics and tourism.

## Art & Design

In design technology we will be looking at the construction of bridges and then we will move onto electrical systems. In art the focus will be sketching skills.

## PSHCE

At the start of the term we will be investigating the topic of 'Beginning and Belonging', looking at emotions and feelings in new situations.

## French

This term we will be improving our vocabulary by looking at Monster Pets and then investigating space exploration in French.

## Music

'Our Community' and 'Solar System' will be the overarching topics through which we will teach a variety of musical skills.

## Important Information

- Reading: children will participate in the Accelerated Reader scheme, which develops their comprehension. Children should read daily at home, as well as reading in school.
- Spelling patterns will be looked at over several weeks using the Headstart spelling scheme. Children will be taught to use the 'look, cover, write, check' method to learn spellings.
- Times tables: Year 5 children should know all their times tables to 12 x 12. We use many fun methods in school to support this but children benefit from extra practice at home, including Times Table Rock Stars.
- Homework will be allocated on a **Friday** as a paper copy in their homework books. This year a 'Real PE at Home' skill will be allocated each half term too.
- PE will be on a **Wednesday** for Year 5. Your child is expected to come to school wearing full PE kit. Pupils will have two lessons a day – one indoor and one outdoor. Jewellery and earrings must be removed, preferably at home, and long hair should be tied back.
- Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day to stay hydrated.
- Children are also asked to bring a bag to school to take home letters, homework, etc.