



Year 5 Curriculum Information Autumn Term 2017

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English

During English lessons, we will study a variety of genres of writing in order to be able to produce our own versions. The main genres this term will include mythical story writing and journalistic writing including letters. However, other forms of writing will also be touched upon within these main units. English is taught creatively, incorporating speaking and listening skills and the development of dramatic techniques as well as being linked to topic work as much as possible including take one picture scheme. In Reading this year, we will be taking on a whole class approach focusing on the development of a range of skills to develop the children's understanding of an array of text types.

Grammar and spelling patterns will be taught throughout Literacy, as well as, stand-alone spelling lessons which will take place 4 times a week.

Library time

Fir: Monday Beech: Tuesday Elm: Thursday

Mathematics

At the start of the term, we will focus on basic number skills including mental and written methods. We will also cover: estimating and the use of inverse and rounding; positioning and place value of large numbers, decimals and fractions as well as ordering numbers. We will also be problem solving using all four operations and written methods.

Later in the term, we will cover shape, data and measurement including: properties of 2D and 3D shapes; perimeter and area; reading and converting scales; conversion of measurements and reading and creating graphs.

Science

In Science, this term, we will be investigating materials; looking at their solubility, their ability to dissolve and how to separate them from a liquid.

We will also be studying sound and hearing, considering ways in which sound is transmitted and received.

Humanities

Our Geography topic this term is North and South America. Within this, we will investigate countries and their human and physical features. Map work and research skills will be used to locate areas. Within our History topic we will be focusing on the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain.

Art and Design & Technology

As part of 'Take One Picture', we will be using the painting 'Penelope with the suitors' by Pintoricchio, as a stimulus for learning, as well as developing our own artistic techniques - especially using paint and drawing. We will also be looking at textiles related to the topic.

ICT

We will be using iPads and laptops for research and presentation of work, as well as, using the internet for information. Through our ICT lessons, we will be using the programme Logo to create simple programmes and then building on their knowledge to code. Throughout the year, we will discuss aspects of internet safety.

PE and Games

Pupils will be developing their skills in basketball and football this term. Good sportsmanship will be encouraged. Pupils will also be attending weekly swimming lessons. Children must remove earrings before each PE session, for health and safety reasons.

PE times:

Beech PE days are Wednesday (outdoor) and Monday (indoor)

Fir PE days are Wednesday (outdoor) and Tuesday (indoor)

Elm PE days are Wednesday (outdoor) and Monday (indoor)

Children should have PE kit in school every day.

PSHE & Philosophy

In Philosophy, we will cover a range of topics- generated by the children, news or other stimuli. We value participation, listening skills and respect in these lessons and discuss how these can happen in lessons.

The values for this half term is: Respect.

Religious Education

The topics that we will cover this term are: 'Buddhism—the life and teachings of Siddhartha the Buddha' and 'The Mosque and the community'. If you would like to share your knowledge of a religion with us, please talk to your class teacher.

Spanish

Pupils will be continuing to develop their grasp of the Spanish language and culture through practical and interactive lessons with Mrs. Soria.

How can you help us?

- Please ensure that your child is in school at all times (excluding when they are ill) as any time missed will affect your child's learning and impinge on their reading time.
- Children should be reading on a daily basis and it would very much help them if you were to discuss their reading with them. Please ensure that your child is completing and bringing in their reading journal so that teachers can see them every Friday.
- Homework should be brought in on time (Wednesday) and should be completed to a good standard. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for this and to take pride in their work.