

English

This term we will look at some exciting new genres of writing such as explanation texts, persuasive writing and poetry. We will link our writing to our topic throughout the term.

We will have focused sessions on grammar, punctuation and spelling and your child will continue to bring home a weekly spelling list. Please continue to support your child with the spellings they are set each week. The children will also have regular guided reading sessions to develop their reading and comprehension skills.



Remember to check out our school website.
Here you can find out about how we teach reading, phonics and writing, with some cool links and games too!

PE

PE will take place each week on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has a **named** PE kit in school for the above sessions. Shorts and T-shirts are essential, however your child may want to bring tracksuit bottoms and a jumper on cooler days. A change of footwear (trainers or plimsolls) are needed for each session.

It is also important for children to bring a water bottle. We are hoping for some sunshine this term so roll on deodorant and good hygiene is encouraged as well as sun cream and a sun hat.



Reading Books

Daily reading continues to be of importance, especially reading to an adult at home and spending time discussing the text they have read. As our main aim is to instil a lifelong love of reading, your child is now allowed to bring their own reading materials from home.



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 2024



Welcome back!

We hope everyone had a lovely Easter break. The children have returned to school so well and are eager to continue with their learning! We are really looking forward to teaching your child in their final term of Year 5.

To keep completely up to date with the amazing learning that your child is doing, you can follow our Year 5 Twitter page:
@MissS_HCPS.

If you have any questions or need to discuss anything, please get in touch.

Miss Smith and Mrs Oxlade

Computing

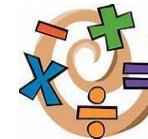
A range of ICT, such as iPads and Chromebooks, will be used throughout the curriculum to enhance our learning. As well as the use of multimedia, we will look at computer programming and coding through Purple Mash. We continue to have a heavy focus on E-Safety with children understanding more about their responsibility of using the internet appropriately. This will include looking at the appropriate use of social media platforms.



Maths

We will continue to work through the White Rose objectives for maths by starting with a decimals unit before moving onto shape, position and direction. As well as developing our reasoning skills, we will also have a heavy focus on using the four operations methods that have been taught last term.

It is really important that your child is able to recall their multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. We continue to dedicate time to learn them in school, however this is something that needs to be secured at home by spending about 20 minutes a week practising them.



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Here you can find out about how we teach maths and much more!

Religious Education

The children will continue to learn about the three faiths: Christianity, Hinduism and Islam in their RE lessons. We will also dip into other world views including environmentalism and humanism.

Learning about the different cultures and beliefs from around the world has never been so important, and the children have learnt a huge amount about the different cultures we have studied so far. If you have any artefacts or information, as ever we would love to hear from you.



Safety and PSHE/HeartSmart

HeartSmart is an approach to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. It is a creative way to enable children to adopt a growth mindset whilst maintaining a healthy emotional epicentre. We continue to make our heart smart this term with the topic, 'Fake is a mistake'. This theme will teach us how to communicate truth and be proud of who we are. We will also have class circle times regularly where children can speak openly about their feelings in a safe and friendly atmosphere.



We will also continue to explore and promote British Values and life in Modern Britain.

Learning Challenge

Our whole school theme for the summer term will be 'Our World and Beyond'.

Our learning challenge for the summer term in geography is: *"Where does our food come from?"* During this learning challenge we will be able to identify different settlements and how features of these changed over time. We will be able to discuss different uses for land and explore these in more detail through digital mapping. Not only that but your child will experience 'Food and Farming Day' where they will gain knowledge from first hand experiences relating to the food and farming of our local area. This will also deepen their understanding of agriculture around them.

Our history learning challenge for the summer term is history based: *"Were the Vikings always victorious and vicious?"* The children will learn about The Scots, Anglo Saxons and Vikings. We will learn about who they were, where they were from and why they came to Britain. We will also be exploring Norse mythology, Jorvik, Viking longboats, weaponry and lots more! Throughout the topic, the children will be developing their skills in investigation, communication and analysing evidence.

If you have anything related to our topic that you would like to share, we would love to see it!



Art/DT

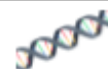


In Art, we will be developing our art skills using a range of mixed media linked to our learning challenges this term. We will continue to experiment with different techniques in our sketchbooks before deciding on a final piece. In DT, pupils will work together to prepare a three course meal and consider the journey of their food.

Homework

Weekly spellings will be given out on a Thursday and the spelling test will be the following Wednesday. Children will also be given either an English or a maths task to complete. This will be set on a Thursday and it must be returned by the **following Wednesday** in order to allow time for us to mark and give feedback on this work. Every child is expected to complete all pieces of work they are set. In addition to reading books, spellings to learn and the piece of English or maths work, there are all of our online platforms that the children can access. This includes Mathletics, TT Rock Stars and Spelling Shed.

Science



In science, our topic will be 'Evolution and Inheritance'. This topic will get your child to think about characteristics passed from one generation to the next and how species have adapted to suit their environments. We will also learn about natural selection and how our understanding of the process of evolution has developed over time thanks to the work of scientists and palaeontologists.

Story Time

We always read a class story, and other short stories, throughout the year. This term we will be reading the novel 'Who Let the Gods Out' by Maz Evans - a brilliant story which the children are sure to enjoy!

