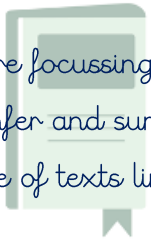


Curriculum Newsletter

Year 5 - Spring 2

Reading

In reading, we are focussing on the skills of define, explore, infer and summarise. We will be exploring a range of texts linked to our writing genres.



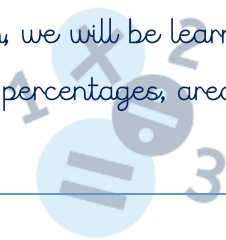
Writing

We will be writing a range of poems linked to the book, *Cloud Busting* by Malorie Blackman. The children will be rewriting the ending of the narrative. We will then be writing a biography based on a survival story.



Maths

This half term, we will be learning about decimals and percentages, area and perimeter, and statistics.



Science

Our focus this half term is Biology. We will be learning about human development and all eight stages of the human life cycle.



DT

In DT, we will be learning how to make a staple sauce.



Computing

In Computing, our focus will be programming. The children will be using Scratch to learn about selection in quizzes.



Geography

In Geography, we will be learning about the water cycle and the distribution of the world's water. We will also be learning about the land use around rivers in North America.



Spanish

In Spanish, we will be learning how to say what we, and others, have.



Music

We will listen to and appreciate music, sing collectively, and improvise using instruments.



PE

We will be focussing on team building, problem solving, and athletics.



PSHE

Our focus for this half term is healthy lifestyles. We will be learning about how we can stop the spread of infection, and why it is important to have a balanced diet.



RE

This half term, our focus is Christianity. We will be learning about how events in history shaped Christian diversity.



Other Information

PE: Rowan - Thursday Maple - Thursday Cedar - Friday

Children should come to school in their PE kit on PE days.

Please ensure that all parents/carers have access to Class Dojo as this is an essential way to communicate. Please let your class teacher know if you have any problems connecting.

Homework

- Please read with your children. Not only does it give them pride in sharing, it also develops their fluency - a key skill in becoming an expert reader.
- Children will complete quizzes on their Accelerated Reading books weekly. This will be tracked by their teacher.
- Spellings can be found on the Spelling Shed website, where there are games and activities that children can complete to help learn these. Children should complete at least 5 games per week.
- Please ensure your child logs on to Bedrock Learning and earns at least 10 points per week. This is a great resource to develop literacy skills and vocabulary.
- Times tables should be practised on Times Table Rock Stars. Knowing the multiplication tables and being able to recall these facts quickly is a key skill that can be applied across multiple areas of the maths curriculum.