

Year 5 Summer 2, 2024

Welcome!

We hope you had an enjoyable break and are ready for lots of new learning!

Just a reminder that we will be having both indoor and outdoor PE lessons on a Wednesday, where we will be mainly focusing on preparing for school sports day and healthy schools week.

Maths

We will continue to prepare children for year 6 by continuing to practise the four operations and revisiting fractions. We shall also focus on measurements and volume. We will also be doing practice assessments to test the children's knowledge.

Children have access to TT Rock Stars to continue practising their multiplication skills.

English

Our fiction writing will focus on a journey story based on our class novel, 'The Last Bear'. This will also link into our Geography unit and persuasive writing which will focus on sustainability.

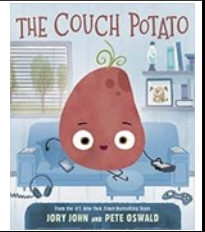
As always, spellings can be practised at home online, using 'Spelling Shed'. Research has shown that reading has a positive impact on writing so please encourage your child to read every night—we have a wonderful selection of books to choose from!

Oracy

In our oracy lessons, we will build on the skills from Year 1-4 and also focus on projecting our voices to a large audience. We will also debate, analyse and discuss important topics throughout the world.

PSHCE

This half term we be learning about how we can manage the time we spend on electrical devices. We will be reading a book entitled 'The Couch Potato' by Jory John and Pete Oswald. It is so important that we look after our body and mind. We shall also be thinking about friendships and how we can be assertive.



Geography

We will be studying the topic: Energy and Sustainability. We will learn how power is generated and what alternative sources of power are available. In our essay we will answer the question 'Can humans live sustainably?' We will discuss how we can apply our learning and make our surroundings at home and school more sustainable.



Music

This is a six-week Unit of Work. All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: Dancing In The Street by Martha And The Vandellas - a Motown song from the 1960s. This will include opportunities to practice our vocals as well as play the glockenspiels. The sessions will entail warm up, playing instruments, learning the song and performing it within our classes.

Reading

All pupils must be reading for 10-15 min daily. Once pupils have finished their book they must complete an AR quiz. Our class novel will be 'The Last Bear' by Hannah Gold.



Science

In science we will be continuing to learn about properties of materials and exploring the questions - What is a reversible or irreversible change? What are the best conductors and insulators? What materials can you use to make a switch in a circuit? How do chemical changes have an impact on our lives?

We will also find out about famous chemists like Spencer Silver and Ruth Benerito. We will be investigating Which materials would be the most effective for making a warm jacket or for wrapping ice cream to stop it melting?

Art

This half term we will be looking at texture. The artists we will be exploring are Billie Zangewa who specialises in collage tapestries and Lucy Sparrow who creates everyday objects with felt.

Computing

This half term we will be further developing our programming skills and knowledge.

We shall create our own sequences then modify them using a range of equipment and programs— it promises to be a very exciting unit!