

P.E.

Games will usually be taught on a Tuesday afternoon and PE on a Friday afternoon. Earrings must either be removed or tape provided to cover them up.



This term's activities will include invasion games - tactics and team-work.

Hockey, outdoor and adventurous activities



Homework

Homework will be noted in the **Homework Diary and weekly learning** - please sign this each week. If you have any queries please note in the comments section.



- **Spellings** will be set each week on a Monday and tested the following Monday.
- Children should keep practicing all the **times tables**, unless otherwise instructed, to be tested on Mondays.
- A piece of **subject based homework** will be set each Friday. This will be due the following Wednesday.
- Please could you write a comment in the **reading record** once each week after reading with your child.

Music

Our music lessons this term will be based around the ballad "Make You Feel My Love" by Adele/Bob Dylan. We will be listening and appraising the structure of the song while learning it.



R.E. & P.S.H.E

In RE this half term, we will find out about Sikhi beliefs and practices. We will explore how the first 5 Gurus helped to shape Sikhi practices including naming ceremonies and marriages. After half term, we will be looking at What happens in churches during Lent, Holy Week and Easter Sunday.



This term our core Christian values are 'Faith' and 'Friendship'. We will explore these values in PSHE and Collective Worship alongside learning about our responsibilities as members of our school community and thinking about our dreams and goals.

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Teaching Assistants - Mrs Rich and Mrs. Hewitt



Year 5 Spring Newsletter

Welcome to the Spring term! There will be lots of great topics to explore in 2025.

Dates to note

22nd January
School Vision and RE day

20th-21st March
Residential trip to Lee Valley Youth Hostel and activities at Hertfordshire Young Mariners' Base

Information regarding other trips and events will be emailed home via parentmail.

English

This half term we will be using the book 'Kaspar, Prince of Cats' by Michael Morpurgo to base our English learning on. We will use the text to write a newspaper article and understand characters' feelings.

We will also be reading and studying 'The Firebird', a Russian folk tale.

Spellings will be linked to the books we are reading and the National Curriculum.



Science

In science we will be beginning our chemistry topic on the properties and uses of materials. Children will compare and group together materials and conduct fair tests.

After half term, we will be looking at 'Earth and Space', looking at the relationship between the sun and moon. We will also be exploring why we have seasons.

Children will be taking part in celebrating British Science Week.

Computing

This half term we'll be looking at exploring selection in programming to design and code an interactive quiz.

After half term, we will be looking at exploring conditions and selection using a programmable micro controller.



Maths

Throughout the term the children will be developing their understanding of the following key skills and concepts:

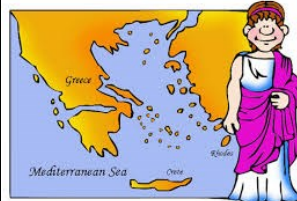
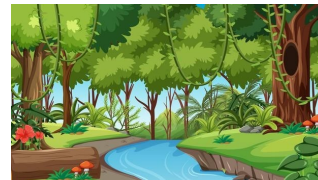
- Multiplication
- Division
- Fractions
- Decimals and percentages
- Perimeter and Area
- Statistics

Arithmetic, Problem Solving and times tables skills will be tested weekly.



Topic

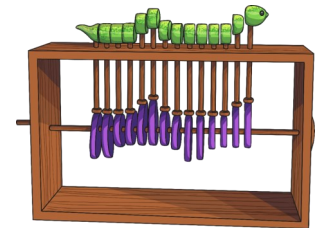
This half term in geography, building on our work in the Autumn on Rainforests, we will be using our map skills to locate and name countries and cities in South America. We will research some of the key physical and human characteristics of the region.



Next half term, our history topic is Ancient Greece - a study of Greek life and achievements and the legacy of Greek Culture.

Art and Design & Technology

In D&T this half term, we will be designing, making and evaluating our own mechanical toys using CAMs.



Next half term in Art we will look at sculpture and 3D Art. Through research of ancient Greek vessels, the children will design and make their own vessel using thumb techniques and coils. They embellish these with tools, slip and oxides.