

My Year 5 Learning Journey – Autumn 2018

ENGLISH Our first book will be 'The Boy in the Girls Bathroom' by Louis Sachar. We will be exploring the different characters, completing writing from a characters perspective, making sure we include emotive language. We will compare characters and write a diary entry, school report and flashback. Next we will be studying The Highwayman, a long poem that is packed full of figurative language. In class we will be learning about similes, metaphors, personification and onomatopoeia as well as using these in our writing. We will also be doing some cross curricular writing about the Vikings, including a newspaper report.

MATHS We will begin by focusing on number and place value, we will be ordering and rounding numbers to 1000000 as well as rounding numbers and looking at negative numbers. Next it will be addition and subtraction of four digit numbers using the column method as well as looking at multistep addition and subtraction problems. Statistics is next which includes reading, interpreting and drawing line graphs, as well as reading tables and timetables. In multiplication and division we will be looking at multiples, factors and prime numbers as well as multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000. Finally we will be investigating area and perimeter.

SCIENCE We will be studying Living things and their habitats, including pollination and the life cycle. Next we will move on to Earth and Space, where we will look at the flat earth theory, phases of the moon and how we get day and night.

TOPIC We will begin the year investigating the Vikings – including their lifestyle, key battles, and artefacts. We will also be writing a newspaper report. Next we will be learning more about Africa, in particular urban and rural Africa as well as fair trade and using an atlas correctly.

PE Our focus will be hockey as well as ball handling / reaction skills and static balance, including floorwork and games skills.

RE We will be exploring the beliefs and practices of Islam. Including the significance of the Hajj.

PSHCE The children will begin by drawing up their own class charter. The two topics we will cover are Being me in my World and Celebrating difference.

MUSIC This year all year 5 children will be learning to play the trumpet.

Trips and visits

The children will experience a workshop at school about the Vikings.

ART We will be creating self portraits, African sunset pictures and a four seasons calendar.

MFL We will continue with Spanish, looking at numbers and food.

ICT This half term we will begin by learning more about E-safety. The children will create a podcast on internet safety.

DT We will be designing and creating our own Christmas cookie. We will identify a target audience and design and make a cookie for them.

How can you help your child?

- All children must know their times tables up to x12, it would be very useful if you could practice this with your children if they are not yet fully fluent. The following websites helpful there are also lots of youtube videos available.

www.timestables.co.uk

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/times-tables

www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/maths/timestable/interactive.htm

- Read with your child and ask them questions about what they have read. It could be simple questions where the answer is in the text, or perhaps ask how a character is feeling and how your child knows this. The following website gives you some tips on reading with your child depending on their age.

www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/advice-for-parents/reading-at-home/

- Read through your child's homework, check they have completed the tasks correctly. Do they need to change or add anything? Is it presented neatly? Are the sentences punctuated correctly?
- Perhaps do some research on our topic the Vikings or Africa. You could visit the library.