

Year 5

This half term our topic is: Our Local Area

| English | | Mathematics | |
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| <p>In English we will start by looking at persuasive writing with a focus on promotional leaflets.</p> <p>Later in the term we will write biographies, placing a particular emphasis on scientists and naturalists to link in with our science topic.</p> <p>We will continue to work grammar, punctuation and spelling throughout the term.</p> | | <p>In Maths we will begin by re-visiting work on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, focusing on the skills of selecting and using the appropriate operation(s) to solve word problems and puzzles.</p> <p>We will also be looking at position and direction to plot points and describe the position of shapes after a reflection or translation.</p> | |
| Science | Computing | History/ Geography | D&T |
| <p>In science we will be looking at the life cycles. We will learn about amphibians, reptiles, birds, fish and mammals, including humans. We will then look at plant reproduction. For our skills, we will be focusing on using secondary sources and drawing accurate diagrams.</p> | <p>We will be learning about communicating information securely through an introduction to cryptography. We will investigate early methods of communicating over distances, learn about early ciphers, and consider what makes a secure password.</p> | <p>In our topic, we will be learning about what life was like in Walthamstow over a hundred years ago. We will survey and map Queens Road and then use photographs and census data to build up a picture of how and why the area has changed over time.</p> | <p>Our D&T topic is all about bread. We will sample different breads from around the world, conduct market research and use salt dough to design bread prototypes. Finally we will make our own bread rolls and design packaging for them.</p> |
| Physical Education | Music | RE | French |
| <p>PE will be gymnastics, focusing on counterbalance. Swimming lessons will continue on Fridays .</p> | <p>Our topic this half term is 'Life cycles' which links to our science work. This will include learning songs in different parts and singing and playing in rounds.</p> | <p>In RE we will be learning about Christianity with particular reference to The Bible and the Church as a place of worship.</p> | <p>In French, children will learn about describing parts of the face and to give opinions about different types of food. We will also begin to work on noun-adjective agreement.</p> |

| Planned Educational Visits | Supporting your child's learning at home |
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| <p>Visit to Karamsar Gurdwara in Ilford on Thursday 25th April and a visit to St Saviours Church as part of our RE unit of work either on Thursday 2nd May or Thursday 9th May. Your child will be informed about what day they are attending closer to the time.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homework: As well as the usual homework, your child will be expected to write an entry in their reading journal each week. • As the weather is getting warmer, please make sure your child brings a water bottle to school every day. • Please support the school's Mighty Multiples times tables programme by encouraging your child to learn their tables up to 12 x 12. Those children that know their tables, can still benefit from increasing their speed of recall. |

