

Year 5

This half term our topic is: SPACE

English

In English we will be writing our own science fiction stories linked to our space topic, trying to use effective dialogue and character description and build suspense and tension for the reader. Later, we will explore a range of space themed poetry. We will build towards writing our own poems using literary devices such as metaphors and personification.

Mathematics

In maths, our first topic will be statistics where we will focus on interpreting tables and line graphs. We will then move on ordering, comparing and calculating using fractions and decimals before learning all about 3D shape and volume. We will continue to apply the skills we have learnt to problem solving across all areas of maths.

Science

In science we will learn about our solar system. We will investigate the order and size of the different planets, focusing on the movement of the Earth, sun and moon and how these relate to determine day and night, seasons and the length of an Earth year.

Computing

Children will create animations and use stop frame software to make short films linked to our space topic and their story writing in English.

Geography

We will continue with our local area topic with a focus on mapping skills and using compass points to describe locations. We will then move on to map reading using grid references.

Art

We will be studying the work of a local artist (William Morris) and use ideas and themes from his work to create prints using different techniques.

Physical Education

In PE we will be practising a variety of athletic skills in the run-up to sports day.

Swimming lessons will continue on Fridays.

R.E.

In R.E. we will learning about Islam and the importance of the Prophet Muhammad p.b.u.h.

French

In French, we will revise names of animals, colours, parts of the body and days of the week. Children will learn a French poem and listen to traditional French stories.

Music

Our theme is the Solar System. The children will practise and perform different songs, learning about tone and texture. This will then lead to them creating and performing their own solar system song and accompanying music.

Planned Educational Visits**Supporting your child's learning at home**

- 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 encourage your child to practise their times tables using their new **'Times Tables Rock Stars'** Login. Those that already know them will be able to try and improve their Rock Speed and aim to become a 'Rock Legend'!

