

Curriculum Update

Autumn 1 2023

Maths **	This half term, we will be looking at multiplication and division, including multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000. We will be learning about prime, cube and square numbers. We will then start focusing on fractions, including finding equivalent fractions, comparing fractions, adding fractions and subtraction fractions.
SPaG SPELLING	In SPaG this half term, we will be focusing on past and present tense, first and third person, relative clauses, onomatopoeia, modal verbs, brackets for parenthesis and abstract nouns. We will also be revisiting how to plurals by adding -s, -es and -ies, as well as practising the Year 5/6 statutory spellings.
USING There's a Boy in the Girls. Bathroom.	This half term, the children will be studying the book 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom' by Louis Sachar. This book has as its main character Bradley, a 'bad' boy who is always in trouble. We get right into Bradley's heart and mind in this narrative, offering the children ways to discuss issues of friendship, bullying, and the links between self-esteem, behaviour and learning. We will also use this as a starting point to learn more about the features of recounts, play scripts and narrative writing.
PSHE PSHE	Our topic this half term will be Families and Friendships. We will look at managing friendships and peer influence, as well as looking at what makes a healthy friendship and when and how to seek support in relation to friendships.
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Science	In Science this half term, we will be focusing on Forces. The children will observe and describe the effect of placing poles of a magnet next to each other, the effect of the force of gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction.

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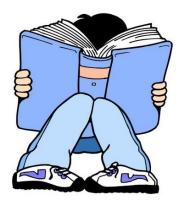
DT	HISTORY
In DT this half term, we will look at what Design and Technology is and some of the history of some designs, such as televisions. We will also look at the process of designing.	We will be looking at the Ancient Greeks this half term. We will label timelines with important events and use historical language to add detail. We will also look at some of the legacies and artefacts left behind by the Ancient Greeks.
SPANISH	COMPUTING
This half term, our Spanish focus will be Las Verduras (vegetables). We will be learning how to say the names of 10 different vegetables and then focus on putting them into more complex sentences.	In Computing, our topic will be Video Production. We will be learning about what makes a video effective, filming techniques, using a storyboard and planning, importing and editing a video.

Please could children continue to wear their PE kits to school on their PE day, which will be

Tuesdays.

Suitable PE clothing would be as follows:

- Shoes suitable for PE e.g., trainers
- Leggings, joggers or shorts etc...
- Polo shirt or house PE t-shirt
- School jumper, cardigan or fleece

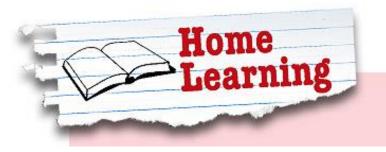


Please encourage your child to read regularly at home. In Year 5, the

children still need to read daily. It is still important to help with difficult words, expression and understanding of the text. If your child is a confident reader, then they may read without supervision but encourage them to talk about what they have read and share their thoughts and opinions on the text.

Home

learning will be sent home weekly on a Friday and is due back to school by the following Thursday. Children have been provided with Home Learning books which they can do their work in. Alternatively, Home Learning can be posted directly to your child's Class



Dojo portfolio. Please could children bring back their home learning books **every Friday**, so that they can stick in their home learning.

Please encourage your child to continue to learn and practise their timetables. This will



help us with our learning in maths. This half term our main focus will be the quick recall of the 2-, 5- and 10-times tables. Children need to learn the related division facts as well as recall the multiplication facts quickly. All the children have their own

login names and passwords for Sumdog and Times Tables Rockstars. This can be accessed at home as well as at school to help improve with their maths and reading skills.

Children can now access Language Angels at home. This is available as an app on the Apple App Store or as a desktop website. Children are able to play games and listen to songs which go along with the learning we are doing in class.



Important updates will be posted on Class Dojo often, so please check regularly. If you have any questions or issues, please message me on Class Dojo and I will get back to you as soon as possible.