



# Yr 5 Curriculum News

## Summer 2018

### English

In English we will be exploring the Greek Myth 'Odysseus' as well as reading a variety of other myths and legends. We will be developing our writing skills by exploring the following genres:

- Newspaper Article
- Letters
- Speeches

Teaching of spelling and grammar will be integrated throughout each topic. Whole class reading takes place daily and will cover a range of reading skills.

### Topic

The topics we will be covering in IPC this term are:

- Weather and Climate
- Sound and Light

During our first topic we will be investigating the weather and climate in Antarctica and researching Shackleton's famous expeditions to the region.

Our second topic will involve making our own musical instruments in order to understand different sounds are produced and how sound waves travel.

### Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be learning about the festivals associated with Christianity. We will continue to have weekly philosophy sessions.

### Maths

In Maths we will be covering the following sequences of work:

- Division
- Fractions
- Statistics
- Percentages

Every week, pupils will be tested on their mental maths and times tables, and practice their problem solving skills. They will also be given Mathematics tasks to complete online.

### PE

In PE we will be covering the following units of work:

- Gymnastics
- Orienteering

Your child must bring a change of clothes for PE, please do not come to school dressed in PE kit at the start of the day. PE kit should contain a t-shirt, leggings/ tracksuit bottoms/shorts and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. As the weather changes PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt.

**Please note, PE is now on Tuesdays AND Fridays. There will be no swimming lessons this term.**

### Science

In Science we will be covering the following topics:

- Forces
- Living Things

We will be developing our working scientifically skills by conducting 'sorting and classifying' and 'pattern seeking' enquiries.

### Homework

Maths and English homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned to the appropriate teacher by Wednesday. Spellings will also be sent home on Fridays, which the children should practice in preparation for their test on the following Friday. Spelling sheets do not need to be returned. All children should be practicing their times tables every week, up to and including their 12 times table.

### Music

In Music, we will be focusing on songs from musicals and developing our performance skills, specifically looking at Latin American Music.