



Year 5 Curriculum News

Autumn 2017

English

In English we will start by exploring the wordless picture book, 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner and reading 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. We will be covering the following topics:

- Narrative recounts
- Figurative language and descriptive writing
- Poetry

Teaching of spelling and grammar will be integrated throughout each topic. Guided reading takes place daily and will cover a range of texts types.

Science

In Science we will be covering the following topics:

- Materials

We will be developing our working scientifically skills by conducting fair tests and observing over time.

PE

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

- Invasion games

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.

PE is on **Wednesday**.

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.

Topic

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

- Brainwaves
- The Great the Bold and the Brave

During our first topic we will be exploring what helps us learn and support others in their learning. We will also be developing our Growth Mindset skills.

Our second topic focusses on the Romans and what different types of sources can tell us about how they lived. We will also be visiting the British Museum in order to study and draw Roman mosaics, so that we can then design and make our own!

Maths

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

- Number and place value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Geometric reasoning

Every week, pupils will be tested on their mental maths and times tables, and practice their problem solving skills.

Religious Education

In RE this term, we will be learning about Buddhism and how Buddhists practice their religion. We will continue to have weekly philosophy sessions.

Music

In Music, we will be focusing on African Music and it's history by listening to and learning African pieces of music.