

Year 5 – Summer 2

English

Children will enjoy reading a book by popular author, Michael Morpurgo, as their class novel. They will explore his writing style and will use this to write a new chapter of their own for the novel. We will also use Michael Morpurgo as an example for our work on biographies and children will use this to help them structure a piece of writing about the life of Henry VIII. Guided reading sessions will continue to take place weekly, on a Tuesday, with a teacher. Spellings will be taught and sent home every Thursday.

French

Chez moi Children will learn develop their skills in Speaking and Listening, Reading and Writing with vocabulary linked to where they live and the rooms in their homes.
Les Vetements As above, but learning about vocabulary linked to items of clothing, while revising colours and numbers from previous units. Ongoing revision of key grammar points will take place in sessions.

PHSE/RSE

Under Pressure Children will learn to identify different kinds of pressure and discuss how this can be a positive or negative thing for them. They will identify strategies that can be used to cope during times of pressure in their own lives. They will consider self-talk and how to speak positively of themselves to boost self-esteem.
Cyberbullying/Making Good Choices Children will explore what is meant by cyberbullying and what they should do if they encounter it. They will discuss the forms abuse can take and learn how to find support if needed.

Science

This half term in science our topic is animals including humans. We will be learning all about the circulatory system. How water and nutrients are transported around our bodies. We will also be finding out how to make sure we are all living healthy lifestyles.

RE

Freedom and Responsibility

Children will explore their experience of rules and know that with freedom, comes responsibility. They will learn about the Ten Commandments and Jesus' new commandment that he gave his disciples and consider how these are lived out by Christians.

Stewardship

Making links to Pope Francis' work *Laudato Si* and the teachings of St Francis, children will think about different ways that they can care for God's creation.

Islam

Children will learn about Ramadan and the festival of Eid. They will also consider the Haj and how this impacts on the faith of followers of Islam.



Important dates/ information

23rd June – Sports Day
TBC– Class Trip

Music

Ukuleles: Children will learn to play a range of chords and begin to use these to play popular tunes. As part of these sessions, they will build upon their skills of reading and using musical notation.

Maths

Decimals and Percentages: Children will learn about equivalent fractions and decimals, before going on to link this to percentages. They will work on adding and subtracting decimals and finding complements to 1.

Fractions:

Children will develop their work on fractions from earlier in the year, by learning to find fractions of amounts and finding the whole when given a fraction of an amount.

Area and Perimeter:

Children will work on finding area and perimeter of rectangular shapes, including shapes made of more than one rectangle.

History

The Tudors: Children will place the Tudor period on a timeline containing other key periods that they have studied in British history. They will also create a scaled timeline showing key events of the Tudor era, before finding out about the reigns of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I. They will consider how and why Henry broke away from the Catholic Church and use sources effectively to find information about the topic, thinking about the reliability of these.

Design & Technology

Bridges: Children will explore the structure of bridges and design and make their own bridges using a range of materials, considering shape and how to strengthen their models.

Computers

Children will use ICT to research their topics and present work using Word, PowerPoint and Publisher. They will also develop their coding skills using Scratch and Kodable, where they will work on debugging programmes.

At Home

It is important that children read regularly with an adult, both aloud and to themselves, to develop their fluency and understanding. Please try to discuss their reading with them and remember to sign, and encourage them to complete their reading journals. Spellings will come home weekly for children to practise. All children have a Times Tables Rockstar log-in, which they should use to access the site at least twice a week, to maintain their pace and accuracy with their multiplication and division facts.

