

Year 5 Autumn Term

We will be learning:

English

In Autumn 1, after a three-week unit based on Roald Dahl's *Witches*, we will be having fun with Shakespeare's *Macbeth*.

In Autumn 2, we will be writing non-chronological reports on the amazing creatures that live in Antarctica. We will finish the term writing our own adventure stories and diaries based around the remarkable expedition led by Ernest Shackleton.

Weekly spellings are set on Fridays, to be tested the following Friday. This year, spellings will be given in full sentences and children will be expected to spell **all** words in the sentences accurately. These books will come home each week for you to see your child's progress.

Mathematics

This term, we will be building on the children's understanding of place value, before deepening their understanding of the four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division), then progressing to fractions work.

Weekly homework is set on Mathletics.

French

This term we will be learning about seasons.

RE/PSHE

We will start RE this term by learning about Hinduism.

In PSHE, we will be focusing on the topics "Beginning and Belongings" and "Family and Friends - myself and my relationships."

Science

In the autumn term, we will be looking at properties of materials and changes to materials - melting, freezing, dissolving, reversible and irreversible changes.



Geography

World Countries

In geography this term, we will be learning how to locate different countries and cities. Children will learn about lines of latitude, longitude and the equator and learn about biomes. They will be able to identify and talk about different physical and human features of the 7 continents.



History

Ancient Greece

In history, we will be travelling back to Ancient Greece where children will learn about who the Ancient Greeks were and what they believed. They will compare Athens and Sparta and learn about the importance of democracy, theatre and the Olympic games.

P.E.

Outdoor and Adventurous Activities/ Netball on **Wednesday afternoons**.

Premier Sports – indoor session on **Thursday afternoons**, studying dance.

Music

The children will be following the Year 5 Charanga programme of studies: Living on a Prayer and Classroom Jazz. Children will use a mixture of tuned and untuned percussion instruments and recorders.

Computing

We will start computing lessons with a focus on coding in Purple Mash and other pieces of software.

Art

Drawing and Print making

Children will be exploring different drawing techniques and looking at Abstract art. In Aut 2 they will be looking at how they can create multiple works of art through printing.

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Food. In Aut 1 children will be exploring diets from different cultures and making their own flatbreads.

Safety Belts - In Aut 2 children will use their knowledge of materials to design and make their own safety belt.