





This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home.

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| English | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing an object description based on the book "How to Live Forever" by Colin Thompson. Writing a discussion text discussing the question, "Would it be good to live forever?" In reading lessons, we will develop our inference and deduction skills, focusing on longer style questions. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to read at least four times a week. Read with your child to promote a love of reading. <p>Our class novel will be "The Wolf Wilder" by Katherine Rundell.</p> |
| Maths | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying prime and composite numbers. Finding square and cube numbers. Multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,00. Practising our 6 times tables. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practise any times tables your child is not confident with. Using TT Rockstars for 3 minutes each day can make a huge difference—little and often. |
| Science | <p>In Science, pupils will investigate the topic 'Forces and magnets'.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the effect of friction. Explain the effect of air resistance. Investigate up-thrust and how the shape of an object impacts its buoyancy. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can pupils identify forces in the everyday world around them? Can pupils explain friction using items in their home? |
| History | <p>In History, pupils will answer the question "Were Saxon times really 'Dark Ages'?"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know why the Anglo Saxons invaded and settled in Britain. Explore what life was like for Anglo Saxons in Britain. Explain how Christianity changed early Anglo Saxon Britain. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask what they know about Anglo Saxons. |
| Music | <p>In music, Y5 will be learning to listen and appraise rock anthems, with a focus on 'Living on a prayer' by Bon Jovi. We will learn how to perform the song and decide how to share our performance with others.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about the difference between pulse, rhythm and pitch. |



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| P.S.H.E. | <p>Our PSHE topic is Celebrating Differences and pupils will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how rumour-spreading and name-calling can be bullying behaviours. Explain the difference between direct and indirect bullying. Understand racism. Compare their lives with other people in developing countries.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk about what bullying is and what it may look like. Discuss how their life may differ from other people in developing countries. If you would like access to the PSHE lessons for this half term in more detail, please contact us and we can provide you with an access code. |
| R.E. | <p>Year 5 will explore the question "What would Jesus do?"</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can they answer the question? Ask your child to talk about what they have learnt about Christianity. |
| P.E. | <p>In P.E., Y5 will be focussing on health related fitness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We will show determination and perseverance. We will sustain our pace when running. We will develop all round strength for our bodies.  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise. |
| Computing | <p>Using Purple Mash "Coding"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using objects, actions and events Using different object types and buttons Using repeat  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the Purple Mash website at home to consolidate learning in class practice computing skills. |
| Latin | <p>This year, we have chosen to teach Latin because of the rich opportunities that come with learning this ancient language. As well as being a fascinating language in its own right, knowledge of Latin helps to develop literacy skills. Through Latin, children develop their knowledge of spelling and vocabulary through learning Latin roots of English words and deepen their understanding of grammar. Alongside language learning, the study of Roman and Greek civilisations aids cultural literacy, encourages cultural insights and gives opportunities for wide-ranging thinking across many linked subjects (including history, philosophy, art, maths and science).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss any vocabulary links your child has discovered. |
| Useful Websites | <p> trockstars.com play.numbots.com www.purplemash.com Google BBC Bitesize for English, Maths, Science, GPS and much more </p> | |