



Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 & 6 – Spring 2 – 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the second half of the Spring Term. We would like to share our curriculum overview with you about all the great learning that we have coming up this term.

Please note:

- PE day will be **Wednesday** so please ensure you have your full PE kit in on these days including trainers. PE will sometimes be outside so make sure you have the appropriate kit to keep warm!
- Homework will be handed out on a **Thursday** to be returned on a **Tuesday**. Children will receive literacy and numeracy homework as well as spellings. They are also expected to be reading daily and practising their times tables on TT Rockstars.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In literacy, we will begin by working on narrative writing with a focus on dialogue, character descriptions and setting descriptions. We will be using the book 'Journey' by Aaron Becker to inspire our own narratives.

In maths, Year 5 and 6 will be continuing to work on area, perimeter and volume before moving onto geometry. Within this unit, we will learn to classify, describe and draw 2D shapes accurately and become familiar with measuring and finding angles. We will continue to work on our arithmetic and times tables skills daily.

In Jewish Studies, we will be continuing to practise our Hebrew reading. We'll be looking at Avram and Lot part company and choosing a wife for Isaac for the Chumash curriculum. We'll also be learning about Pesach with a focus on freedom and slavery as well as preparing for our Seder.

We will be learning about data and Excel in computing lessons.

Our topic: World War II

In PE, our focus is volleyball. We will be learning the skills and rules involved in the sport. Each session, we will also work on our core strength through a range of different warm up exercises.

Our RE unit will be about Christianity. We will be focusing on Lent and the Easter story.

Our history topic is World War II where we will be learning about life on the home front in Britain and how people kept safe. This half term we will also learn about the role of women in WWII and consider the end of the war and VE Day.

In Science, we are learning about light. We will consider how light travels, how shadows are formed and how we see objects. We will take part in a range of different investigations to explore these areas.