



Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 & 6 - Autumn 1 - 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had an enjoyable break and are looking forward to the new school year. 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 **Monday** so please ensure your child has their full PE kit on this day. PE will be outside so make sure you have the appropriate kit to keep warm when it starts getting colder! We are a **Daily Mile** school so please ensure your child has suitable footwear to run in on a daily basis.
- Homework will be handed out on a **Thursday** and to be returned on a **Tuesday**. Children will receive literacy and numeracy homework as well as spellings. They are also expected to be reading and practising their times tables on TT Rockstars.

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

In Literacy, we will be working on a narrative unit based on a book titled 'The Princess' Blanket'. We will be using this book as inspiration for our own narrative stories. Our first class reading text is 'My friend Walter' by Michael Morpurgo which we will be working on in reading sessions.

In Numeracy, we will begin by focusing on place value, negative numbers and the four operations. We will be building on our previous learning before applying these skills to reasoning and problem solving. We'll be working on our arithmetic and times tables skills daily.

In Jewish Studies we will be working on our Hebrew reading and learning about the upcoming Jewish festivals. (Chumash: Avram goes to the land; Chaggei Tishrei- Days of Prayer; The synagogue Parasha

Our topic:

Baghdad (900AD)

In Science we will be learning about Animals including Humans. In Music, we will look at Cyclical patterns (South Asian Music): Exploring rhythm and pulse.

In PE, our focus is basketball. We will learn and practise the required skills and rules before applying these to full games.

In PHSCE/RSE, our focus will be rights and responsibilities and democracy. We will be thinking about our roles and responsibilities for the New Year, both in and out of school.

Our history focus is Baghdad. We will be learning about Baghdad 900AD and developing chronologically secure knowledge to assist us in the understanding of world history.

Our first computing focus will be coding and we will be using Scratch to make our own games.

In RE, we will discuss what the meaning and purpose of religion in the world today is and what meaning it brings to people's lives. Pupils will then focus on the beliefs of Buddhism.