



Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 & 6 - Autumn 2 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

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 is on **Monday** so please ensure your child has their full PE kit in on this day. Where possible, PE will be outside so make sure you have the appropriate kit to keep warm when it starts getting colder.
- 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 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 non-chronological reports. We will also look at biography writing and then conclude with free verse poetry. In Reading, we will continue to use a variety of texts to improve our questioning, predicting, inferring, clarifying, summarising and evaluating skills. Our core texts will include Nelson Mandela's 'Long Walk to Freedom' & Paul Cookson's 'The Works'

In Numeracy, we will begin by focusing on fractions, decimals, percentages, measurement and geometry. 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 (Chumash: Avram and Lot part company). We will also be learning about the upcoming Jewish festivals. In Ivrit, we will be learning and understanding a range of Ivrit phrases including expanded noun phrases

Our RE focus is on G-d. We will be learning about different views on G-d and comparing these with ours.

Our topic: Maps

In PE, our focus is Dance and we will be learning developing flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance. We will perform dances using a range of movement patterns.

In PHSCE/RSE, our focus will be Individual Liberty and we will explore own individual liberty (within the rules).
In Art, we study Islamic art.

Our Geography focus is Map reading. This unit teaches pupils how to use maps whilst developing their knowledge of parts of the UK.

In Science, we will be focussing on Electricity.

In Music, we will be working on cyclical patterns (South Asian Music): Exploring rhythm and pulse as well as preparing for Chanukah.

Our computing focus will be programming and we will also use our computing skills to conduct research in other curriculum areas.