



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter



Term 5

Maths

Term 5 will be all about fractions! We will be taking an in-depth look at fractions, as well as continuing with some work on decimals and exploring prime and square numbers.

We will be learning how to find unit and non-unit fractions of whole numbers, exploring part and whole factors. We will also look at the difference between proper and improper fractions and how to multiply each one by whole numbers, before tackling equivalent fraction problems.

We will continue to build our arithmetic skillset through our daily starters, as well as our times table practice

RE

This term in RE, we will be exploring Humanism and what it means to be a Humanist. We will learn about the Golden Rule of Humanism and the importance of role models and inspirational figures such as Charles Darwin and Alice Roberts.

The children will carefully consider who they consider role models in their lives and who they consider inspirational. This will all help us explore our key question: 'How do inspirational people impact on how Humanists live today?'

English

We will start term 5 working on a narrative unit based on a fantastically mysterious picture book called *The Viewer*. It tells the peculiar story of a boy whose obsession with curious artefacts lead him to discover a mysterious box. With rich illustrations and some profound themes, this unit really fires the children's imaginations.

We will then be exploring how to write a newspaper report, learning about the features of a report, the layout and how to use journalistic skills to report a story. Throughout each unit, we will continue to apply increasingly challenging grammatical concepts in addition to core punctuation.

Music

For term 5, we will be exploring a unit called 'Building a Groove', in which we will learn how to build a bass line and compose a drum riff, using listening skills and rhythmic awareness. We will be using lots of instruments in our learning such as African drums, glockenspiels and boom whackers.

Geography

This term, we will develop our geographical skills through the topic 'Magnificent Mountains'. Within this unit, we will be using atlases to identify mountain ranges on maps; investigating contours; and learning about the different types of mountains and how they are formed. We will then consider climates and how tourism can affect the various mountain ranges.

DT

Our DT unit this term will focus on healthy eating and seasonal produce as we look at super salads! We will explore when fruit and vegetables ripen and are at their optimum nutritional value, as well as their tastiest. We will design and prepare different types of salads using kitchen hygiene knowledge, safe chopping techniques and taste testing to help us.

