

Autumn Term in Year 5

English

We will be building on the skills of applying different literary devices to our work, such as similes and personification to add interest and depth to our work.

We will also be looking at some poetry this term, The Most Dangerous Animal in the World by Valerie Bloom.

In guided reading we will revise retrieval from a text and the emotions and reasons for character's actions.

We are reading...

In class we will be reading The Fantastic Flying Books of Morris Lessmore.



Our class read is Tabitha Plimtock and the Edge of the World.

Maths

This half term we will be focussing on place value – numbers to 1,000,000, negative numbers and following this we will revise the number operations – addition and subtraction. We will be continuing to practice our times tables and practice mental arithmetic.

Science

This term we will be learning about animals including humans. We will be looking at the different stages of the human life and how we develop and the changes our bodies go through as we get older. Our second unit will be space. The children will be learning about the solar system and focusing on how the Sun, moon and Earth move in relation to each other.

Art

We will be learning about the influence that the Ancient Greeks had on theatres. The children will be designing and creating their own Ancient Greek theatre mask using papier mache. The second part of the term the children will be looking at artist Peter Thorpe and his space art. The children will be creating their own space scenes using different mediums and techniques.



Geography / History

Within our history theme, we will be learning about what the Ancient Greeks did for us. We will look at democracy and how it is still used today and also learning about some of the famous philosophers and the influence they have had on modern living.

In geography, the children will research and learn about the Alps, considering the climate of mountain ranges and why people choose to visit the Alps, looking at the human and physical features that attract tourists.

DT

In DT the children will be looking at bridges, considering what shaped structures are best to use for different purposes and strongest structure they could be. We will then be moving onto a unit of sewing where the children will design and sew toy. We will be looking at different stitches and material choices.

Music

This term the children will be exploring key and time signatures. We will also be looking and questioning how does music improve our world? During this term the children will have the opportunity to use the different instruments.

PSHCE

At the start of the term we will be exploring aspirations the children have and how to develop a positive mindset. We will moving on to learn about what is healthy for us, focusing on food and nutrition.

Computing

This term's unit introduces children to flowcharts and how they are used to program and control devices. Lessons are designed to be used with Flowol software, which includes simulations of real life automatic computer systems. Children will be taught to build sequences of instructions, control multiple outputs and structure algorithms with decisions and inputs.

PE

This term we will be developing our football and tag rugby skills. We will be focussing on dribbling and passing skills, whilst working as a team. We will also play badminton where we enhance our hand-eye coordination.