



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter – Term 1A.

English:

Reading: We will be having four reading sessions each week where we will focus on reading our text 'Holes' and answering questions based on the following content domains: vocabulary, retrieval, summarise, inference, prediction, sequencing, word meaning and comparison.

Writing: In English this term, we will be studying the text, 'Where Once We Stood' by Christopher Riley. From this vehicle text we will be following the cycle of immerse - analyse - plan - write and edit. We will be writing an exploration narrative for our fiction writing and a formal recount for our non-fiction report.

Spelling: As part of our spelling lessons this half term, we will be working on the following:

Unit 1: Words with silent letter b.

Unit 2: Words ending in -ible.

Mathematics:

In Maths this term we will be focussing on the following topics: number: place value, addition and subtraction.

Science:

Our Science topic this half term is Earth and Space. As part of this topic, children will be taught to:

- * describe the movement of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun in the solar system
- * describe the movement of the moon relative to the Earth
- * describe the sun, Earth and moon as approximately spherical bodies
- * use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky

Religious Education:

Our Religious Education topic this half term is How and Why do Christians read the Bible? The aim of this topic is to deepen children's understanding of the importance and impact of the contents of the Bible and the Christian Values will be Wisdom, faith and truth. The key questions we will be answering through this topic are: How and why is the Bible read and used by Christians? Do you need a Bible to be a Christian? Why do Christians believe that the Bible is holy? Why is the Bible a best seller? Why are there so many versions of the Bible? Which books of the Bible do you think are the most important? Why?

History:

Our History topic this half term is The Round City: Baghdad.

We will be learning:

- Perfect time for the perfect city.
- Perfect place for the perfect city.
- Building the perfect city.
- City of books and learning: the House of Wisdom.
- Learning about the world: astronomy, maths, geography.
- Changing the world: science, technology and medicine.

Geography:

Our Geography topic this half term is Why is California so

Thirsty? We will be learning:

- Why water is so important.
- Farming in California.
- Why California is running out of water.
- Growing almonds.
- The California Aqueduct.
- What is next for California?

Music:

In Music this half term we will be learning to sing 'Living on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi. We will be learning about pitch and tempo. We will also perform our song as a class and will play parts of the song on the glockenspiels. We will enhance our final performance by playing percussion instruments.

Physical Education:

In PE this half term we will be Invasion Games and Football. Our PE day this half term will be a Wednesday.

Computing:

Our computing topic this half term is Computer Science: creating music using computer codes as well as our weekly E-Safety messages.

Design Technology:

This half term we will be following the process of design, make, evaluate to make our own healthy Bolognese sauce.

- Understand how beef gets from the farm to our plates.
- Present a subject as a poster with clear information in an easy to read format.
- Contribute ideas as to what a 'healthy meal' means.
- Notice the nutritional differences between different products and recipes.
- Recognise nutritional differences between two similar recipes and give some justification as to why this is.
- Work as a team to amend a bolognese recipe with healthy adaptations.
- Follow a recipe to produce a healthy bolognese sauce.

PSHE - JIGSAW

Our JIGSAW topic this half term is Being Me in My World. Our six JIGSAW pieces this half term are:

My Year Ahead Being
A Citizen of my Country
Responsibilities
Rewards and Consequences
Our Learning Charter
Owning our Learning Charter

Dates for your diary:

This half term, we will be acknowledging the following 'theme'/national days:

26th September: European Language Day
29th September: Liverpool Maths Party & Macmillan Coffee Morning
1st October - 31st October: Black History Month
4th - 10th October: World Space Week
6th October: National Poetry Day
10th October: World Mental Health Day
26th October: UN Day

Church visits: