

ENGLISH

In our upcoming English lessons, we will be exploring science fiction narratives and out of this world setting descriptions. The pupils will need to use their persuasive skills to advertise a space hotel, coming to us hopefully in the year 2026! During these topics, we will be focusing on the use of expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials, compound sentences and complex sentences. We will be continuously recapping these key techniques and sentences while ensuring basic skills (such as full stops, capital letters and commas) are embedded.

In reading, we will begin reading 'The Jamie Drake Equation', which follows a young boy whose dad is on the International Space Station.

PSHE

To begin the year, the children will be looking at the year ahead, looking at their own personal goals and how these will be something they will strive for. They will look at how they help in society and school and understand their rights and responsibilities. Reflecting on their own behaviours and other scenarios, pupils will be exploring rewards and consequences to actions.



ART

In our upcoming Art lessons, the children will be studying Chinese art. In this topic, they will have the opportunity to work with a wide range of materials and create designs based on famous Chinese artwork. For example, they will explore the Terracotta army and recreate one for themselves. The pupils will also reflect on their own artwork, stating a positive and something to improve.

MATHS

This term, in our Maths lessons, we will begin by exploring place value of numbers. The pupils will be looking at reading and writing numbers up to 7 digits, understanding the value of each digit. Moving on, they will recap addition and subtraction using the column method. Further into the half term, the pupils will be recapping on prior learning, looking at multiplying by 10, 100 and 1000, including decimals.

A key concept which will be taught this year is the formal method for multiplication. Pupils will use their knowledge of grid method to transfer into formal method. To ensure this is a smooth transfer, pupils need to be practicing their times tables at home and know up to the 9 times table with little working out.

RE

In our upcoming RE lessons, we will be exploring how, why, and when Christian's pray. To do this, pupils will describe how prayer is used, compare their own experiences with prayer and identify the impact of prayer.

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COMPUTING

For the first couple of weeks back, we will be looking at the basics involved in computing such as logging on and off the laptops, saving a word document, typing skills and other essential laptop skills. Once they are fluent with this, we will begin our topic on coding.

History

In this half term, year 5 will be delving deep into the Anglo-Saxon era to determine whether it should be classed as a 'dark age'. They will begin to study what it means by a dark age and then analyse a range of evidence to give their own thoughts on the historical debate. The evidence explored will investigate burials, key places in England and the artefacts found. A key concept we will be looking into throughout history will be chronology which is the arrangement of dates and times.

MUSIC



During this half term, year 5 will be exploring rock music by learning the song 'Livin' on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi. We will be exploring the different instruments commonly used to create rock music and the terms associated with how these are played.

SCIENCE

Our first topic for science in year 5 is 'Out of this World' which explores space and the universe. We will be exploring the different planets in our solar system, learning their names and their characteristics. In addition to this, the pupils will investigate the famous scientists involved in our understanding of the solar system and how they came to this conclusion.

INFORMATION

Children will be having swimming lessons until 28th September. Please see the separate swimming letter for which day your child will need their kit. From 2nd October, PE will take place on **Tuesdays and Thursdays.**

Reading books

We hear all children read weekly and reading books are changed regularly. Please make sure your child brings their reading book to school every day.