

Miss Baker 5B Mrs Ebel 5E Miss Blacklock 5A



Year 5 Autumn Term

Here is a brief summary of the term ahead:

English: We will begin the term by covering a range of KS2 skills with a focus on the book 'Shackleton's Journey'. Following this, children will use Talk for Writing, starting with persuasive letter writing. We will study fiction and non-fiction genres. There is a continued focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar as well as on the development of presentation skills. In Reading, we will examine a variety of texts, practising a wide range of skills.

Our big question: How do physical features shape the Earth?
We will base much of our geography, P4C and our English learning around our question.

French: Pupils will build on previous learning including writing sentences and conversational French.

P4C: Further developing pupils' questioning, reasoning and thinking skills centred around our big question and our school's values.

Art + D.T: In art we are looking at self portraits in the style of Kahlo, Lowry and Miro. We will be investigating how their styles differ and are used in portraiture.

Science: We will learn about materials and their properties: solids, liquids and gases. Our big question for science is 'Are things defined by what they are made from or by what they can do? We will also explore changes in material properties and conductivity.

RE: Pupils will respond to ideas about faith and religion through Bible texts, stories and experiences shared by others. We will look at significant events in the Christian calendar.

Maths: This term in Year 5 Maths, we are starting with place value, focusing on tenths and hundredths to strengthen understanding of decimal fractions. We will then apply this knowledge to real-life contexts by exploring money, including calculations involving pounds and pence. Later in the term, we will deepen our skills in multiplication and division, tackling more complex problems and strategies.

Wellbeing: We will be having Mind-works in for 10 Brain Buddy sessions. They will focus on identifying, regulating and managing our emotions appropriately. Pupils will discuss and learn about internet safety.

Geography: This term, our topic is mountains, oceans and rivers. We will explore this through our big question 'How do physical features shape the Earth?' Children will study the journey of a river and the process of coastal erosion. They will learn the relevant terminology to describe different geographic features and processes found around the world.

Music: Children will have regular lessons on Friday mornings with Mrs Owlett and will be learning to play the clarinet.

Computing: We will be learning about sharing information, developing our understanding of computer systems and how information is transferred between systems and devices.

Other Points: ✓ Children should be reading at home 5 x per week and parents should **sign reading records**.

✓ **NAMED** water bottle with a **healthy** snack.

✓ Pupils come into school in correct PE kits every **Tuesday (5A&5E), Thursday (5B) & Friday**. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed.

✓ **Spellings** - tested weekly — the new spellings are stuck into homework books at the start of the week.

✓ **Times tables** — continue to learn and improve mental agility of times tables recall using **Times Tables Rockstars**.

✓ **Homework** — this will be stuck in homework books on Fridays and returned by Wednesdays.

✓ We are more than happy to speak to you; please email us and we can arrange a mutually agreeable time. You are also welcome to catch us after school on the playground.

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday 11th September—Individual & Sibling photographs

Friday 2nd October - Sayers Croft Visit

Monday 12th—Friday 16th October—Book fair week

Wednesday 14th & Thursday 15th October—
Progress Evenings

Monday 19th October—Friday 30th October—
Half term holiday

Monday 2nd November—INSET day—school closed for pupils

Thursday 5th November—Fireworks evening

Friday 4th December—Christmas Fair

Friday 18th December—End of term, 1.15pm finish

Monday 4th January—Return to school

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