



What is my child learning this half term?

Literacy

Reading and Writing

Mr Read's group will be continuing book 'Holes'. All of their work will be based around the class text and will include improving the quality of sentences and ensuring the children practise their oracy skills. Pupils will then complete writing tasks based on this text.

Mr Jones's group will focus on a range of shorter stories and non-fiction texts to give them a range of genres to work on.

Reading and writing objectives will be taught through the context of each story.

The pupils will learn to infer characters' thoughts and feelings, explain how language choices affect meaning, summarise key ideas, and justify opinions using evidence from the text. They will also compare texts, identify themes, and discuss authors' viewpoints and purposes.

Punctuation and grammar objectives will include the following:

Developing accuracy, variety and control in their writing. Children learn to use relative clauses beginning with who, which, where, when, whose and that, and to expand sentences using modal verbs (might, should, will) and adverbs of possibility (perhaps, surely).



Maths

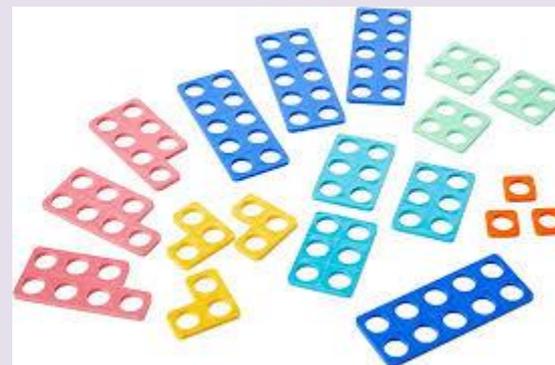
Across Year 5, the children will continue to develop their understanding of number using manipulatives including Numicon and Number Rods.

The children will continue to use Times Table Rockstars to enhance their times table knowledge.

The pupils will build on their understanding of multiplication and division including multiplying up to 4-digit numbers by 1- or 2-digit numbers and dividing with remainders. They will work on fractions, learning to compare and order them, find equivalent fractions, and add and subtract fractions with the same or related denominators. They will then apply their skills to problem solving, developing confidence in choosing appropriate methods, explaining their reasoning, and checking answers

Vocabulary:

Factor, product, sum of, commutative law



R.E.

In RE this half term, we will be building on our learning about the Jewish worldview and way of life. We will investigate the centrality of Torah through examining how a Sefer Torah is constructed, its place within the synagogue and how different Jews may interpret the Torah in diverse ways. We will consider how interpretation of Torah influences dietary choices and reflect on how Jewish practice is being adapted in the light of current thinking on gender and climate.

History

Pupils will study the key events of World War II, exploring how the conflict affected Britain and making links to our local area where possible. They will develop key historical skills by using timelines, analysing sources, and considering cause, consequence and significance to deepen their understanding.

P.E.

This half term the topic is Hockey. The children will develop fundamental skills such as dribbling, passing, receiving and shooting, while learning how to control the ball safely with a hockey stick. They will build teamwork and communication through small-sided games.

Science

This half term, pupils will be looking at how we separate different types of materials. They will look at how we can separate hard objects from each other. They will also investigate how we can separate solutions, such as salt and water. We will be looking at mixtures and solutions which can't be separated; reversible and irreversible changes. As always, pupils will be performing their experiments using good scientific methodology, predicting, observing and concluding.

Computing: Flat-file Databases

This unit looks at how a flat-file database can be used to organise data in records. Pupils use tools within a database to order and answer questions about data. They create graphs and charts from their data to help solve problems. They use a real-life database to answer a question and present their work to others. We will be using j2e.com to support learning.

PSHE - Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Education

Pupils will build on prior learning on medicines. They will learn about legal and illegal drugs and that all drugs can be harmful if misused. This will include the safe use of medicines. They will also learn about how drugs can harm the brain and the body. Pupils will explore what tobacco is and the health risks associated with smoking.

Spanish

This half term, year 5 will be learning the words for how to give directions in Spanish. They will then use this new vocabulary to apply it to previous knowledge in reading, writing, and speaking. Later year 5 will be learning an Easter poem in Spanish. Key Vocabulary: Arriba - up, abajo -down, a la derecha – to the left, a la izquierda – to the right.