



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter

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The curriculum overview for parents and carers.



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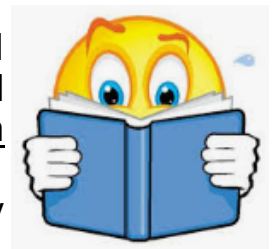
English

Reading

All children should know which banded books they are reading and start completing the **Dollis Reading Record Book**. Children are to fill it in every time they read a book. This is to be brought back on Friday for the teachers check the progress.

Children can read any books and should be reading at home every day.

The children will be reading a range of texts through 'whole class reading'. A lot of their writing this term will be linked to books that we read in class such as **'Cloud tree Monkeys'** and **'Harry Miller's Run'** when they will be focussing on the illustrations as well as the text to complete writing using a variety of genres and **'Beowulf'** when they will be writing their own myth.



Writing

Over the term the children will complete a lot of **writing tasks which aim to inform, entertain and persuade their audience**. They will be writing letters, researching a significant person for Black History Month and writing a biography. They will also be writing a myth and a play script, along with a range of other different types of writing.

Spellings: It is important that the children know the spellings from the Year 3/4 word list and start learning with spellings from the Year 5/6 word list. This is something that you can practise with them at home.

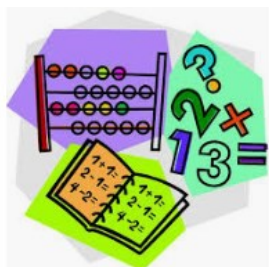
Handwriting: In year 5, children should have neat **joined** handwriting.

Maths

Times Tables

Now that the children are in year 5, they should **all know their times tables up to 12 x 12**. If your child doesn't know them all or is not very quick at remembering them, please practise this with them. Knowing their times tables helps them in lots of areas in Maths. Log onto **TT Rock Stars!**

Over the term we will be:



- Roman Numerals to 1,000
- Numbers to 10,000, 100,000, 1,000,000; as well as reading and writing numbers to 1,000,000
- Powers of 10
- Partition number to 1,000,000
- Number line to 1,000,000
- Compare and order number to 100,000 and to 1,000,000
- Rounding up to the nearest 10, 100 or 1,000

Computing

All children will be reminded of the **e-safety rules**. Please ask your child what these are so that you can also stay safe online when you are at home. The children will also continue to develop their **word processing** with Google Docs.



Science

The children will plan and carry out fair tests in our Science topic on '**Forces**'. They will be learning about gravity, air resistance, water resistance. In addition, they will also learn about the movement of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun along with the movement of the moon relative to earth along with other facts in '**Earth and Space**' topic.



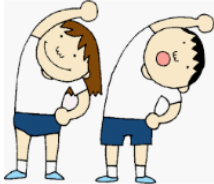
Music

Children will take part in Music lessons taught by the class teacher using the 'Charanga' music scheme.



PE and Games

Children will be taking part in Dance and Netball this term.



PE/Games days:

Almond: Tuesday & Thursday

Blackman: Monday & Thursday

Humanities (History and Geography)

In History and Geography we will be looking at **why did the Anglo-Saxons want to live here** and why **Vikings invaded Britain**. In Geography, we will be looking at what it is like to live in the **Rainforest**, drawing from previous knowledge, comparing the complexity of **biomes** compared to Antarctic, Desert, UK and European climates.



Spanish

Spanish lessons will continue with the children learning the following units:
- **Do you have a pet?**
- **What is the date?**



Art and DT

Art: Children will be looking at **Cityscapes** and creating their own with various techniques.



Design and Technology (DT): Children will be making a **Viking shield** using recyclable materials.

RE

What's so good about giving?

Pupils will be digging deeper into some of these key practices to appreciate the varying types, methods and purposes behind charity and perhaps begin to appreciate how some might be considered more valuable than others.

PSHE

As well as embedding our core values, this term we will be focussing on **respect**.

In class, the children will be taught all about '**Being me in the world.**' We will explore and discuss how to make others feel welcome, how to make the school community better and what rights and responsibilities the children have to themselves and others.



Reminders

- All children must have a pencil case with pencils, colouring pencils, ruler, pencil sharpener, glue, etc.
- Children should wear PE Kits on PE days (see above)
- Clothes must be labelled with the child's name.

Trips/ Workshops

Trips- There will be a class trip planned for every term. Future information will be available on our school newsletter or via Google classroom.

Homework

Reading: Daily reading at home

Spellings: Word lists will be given out on Friday for children to learn and practise for the spelling test following Friday.

Maths: Children are expected to use TT Rockstars for daily times table practise.

Science: Optional projects will be set during the half-term holidays.

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