

Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 5 - Spring 1: 2020-21

English

- Pupils will be reading the book *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo. They will study how the author conveys emotions and feelings through vocabulary choices, sentence structure and punctuation.
- Pupils will be learning the key skills of summarising and précising long passages into short, concise information.
- They will be focusing on suffixes and prefixes and how to convert nouns or adjectives into verbs using suffixes (e.g. -ate; -ise; -ify) and prefixes (e.g. dis-, de-, mis-, over- and re-).
- Pupils will be ensuring the consistent and correct use of tenses throughout a piece of writing.
- Pupils will work on their own assessment and editing, suggesting changes to vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to enhance effects and clarify meaning.
- Pupils will be applying a wider range of punctuation, including semicolons, brackets and ellipse.

Computing

- In the unit 'We Are Web Developers', pupils will design a website information page that explains internet safety and responsible online behaviour.

Spanish

- Pupils will learn about food and drink and how to order drinks and snacks, addressing people appropriately and about paying with Euros.

Topic – Alchemy Island

- Pupils will learn about geographical physical features, different types of settlement and land use.
- They will use map, atlases and computers to locate, describe and compare places.
- Pupils will develop their skills in using grid references and explore using compasses for direction.
- Through science, they will find out about the properties of different materials.
- In **PHSE** lessons, pupils will learn about puberty and the associated physical and emotional changes. We will also discuss physical and emotional health in general.



Music

- Pupils will learn to sing a song and use tuned instruments to accompany it. They will also be given opportunities to improvise using given notes.

Mathematics

- Pupils will compare and order fractions whose denominators are all multiples of the same number.
- They will identify, name and write equivalent fractions and recognise mixed numbers and improper fractions, converting from one to the other and comparing.
- Pupils will add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and denominators that are multiples of the same number.
- They will multiply proper fractions and mixed numbers by whole numbers.
- Pupils will begin to read and write decimal numbers as fractions, e.g. $0.71 = 71/100$.
- They will recognise and use thousandths and relate them to tenths, hundredths and decimal equivalents.
- Pupils will solve problems involving fractions.

P.E.

- Pupils will be learning about the art of symmetry and asymmetry in gymnastics. They will work in pairs and groups to focus upon developing their knowledge.
- They will also be focusing on the skills of playing tennis in their games unit.

Homework

- **Topic:** Select 2 tasks from this half-term's Topic Homework sheet.
- **Spellings:** A test each week and new spellings to be learnt (given out on a Friday).
- **Reading:** Read daily (20mins) and record in Communication Books. Parents/ carers, please sign weekly.
- **Mathematics:** Weekly Maths Homework – in line with the coverage in class for that week.