

Half Term Curriculum Overview



Year 5 - Spring 2 - 2025

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 précisising 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

- Pupils will complete their games using Scratch.
- 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 be learning about pets as a main focus in Spanish this term.

Music

In Year 5, pupils will be further developing their ukulele technique, and repertoire of chords to play along to some 3 chord songs. They will also continue working on how to read 'tab' and learn simple picked tunes.

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 art, pupils will practise sculptural skills, creating 3D waves using a variety of building techniques and decorating methods.
- In D&T, pupils will explore ways to hoist material – emulating a sail being raised on a boat.

In **PHSE** lessons, pupils will learn about living healthily: healthy habits, nutrition and hygiene.

RE: Hinduism – Holi; Judaism - Passover. Pupils will learn about these festivals and the traditions involved.



Mathematics

- Pupils will read and write decimal numbers as fractions, e.g. $0.71 = 71/100$.
- Pupils will read, write, order and compare numbers with up to three decimal places.
- They will solve problems involving numbers with up to three decimal places.
- Pupils will recognise the percent symbol (%), understand that percent relates to 'number of parts per hundred', and write percentages as a fraction with denominator 100, and as a decimal.
- Pupils will solve problems which require knowing percentage and decimal equivalents of $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{5}$, $\frac{2}{5}$, $\frac{4}{5}$ and those fractions with a denominator of a multiple of 10 or 25.

P.E.

- Dance – exploring rhythms and sequences of movement.
- Games – The art of striking and fielding games.

Homework

- **Project:** Select 2 tasks from this half-term's Topic Homework sheet.
- **Spellings:** A test each week and new spellings to be learnt – every Friday.
- **SPAG:** A SPAG task set each week on Google Classroom.
- **Reading:** To be completed daily.
- **Maths:** Weekly maths homework set on Google Classroom, linked to class coverage. Additional tasks on Atom.