

Year 5 Curriculum Overview Autumn Term 1

English

Pupils will use the book 'How to train your dragon' as inspiration in order to think carefully and critically about the characters and their thoughts and motives. They will use this information to effectively write a variety of different text types. They will then study deforestation and the threats which the rainforest face, before writing a carefully constructed essay.

Maths

Pupils will begin the year with a place value unit, reviewing and consolidating their understanding of the number system learnt in Year 4. They will be learning numbers to 7digits and using concrete resources to fully master the worth of each digit in these numbers. Pupils will also refine their use of mental and written methods to solve calculations.

Guided reading texts - Tartu and the Pharoah's Curse by J West/Groosham Grange by Anthony

Horowitz

Science

In this half term's unit pupils will explore different types of mixtures and the appropriate methods to separate them. They will make observations of the different methods, before planning a fair test, taking into consideration all of the variables.

Humanities - History

Pupils will be
transported back to
life during the Viking
times. We will explore a
variety of sources to
evaluate the Viking
trading routes, before
we analyse the impact
that the Vikings left on
communities in Britain,
following their raids
and settlements.

Art and Design

Pupils will be exploring mark making in order to show depth, emotion and movement. Pupils will be introduced to influential artists including Jean-Michel Basquiat, Charlie Mackesy, Elizabeth Catlett, and John Muafangejo in order to analyse how they use the foreground, middle ground and background to create effects. They will then create a lino print in order to show their artistic understanding.

Computing

Pupils will continue to build their knowledge of computer systems and networks, by exploring the validity of websites and how to make concise searches on a search engine.

Spanish

Pupils will learn new vocabulary for greetings and numbers.

Music

This half term, pupils will be inspired by Ancient Egypt. We will start the half term by learning a song and identify the structure of the piece of music. At the end of the half term, we will compose and perform a melody using stave notation with reasonable accuracy.

RE

Pupils will consider the question 'Why do people have to stand up for what they believe in?'. They will explore how beliefs have been challenged in the past, before moving on to debating whether we should celebrate Bonfire Night.

PE

Pupils will spend both of their PE lessons developing teamwork and collaborative skills. Our indoor PE will focus on gymnastics, where we will explore balances and tension. Whereas, the outside PE will be focusing on netball, learning how to pass and shoot effectively.

PSHE

Pupils will consider how friendships go through natural ups and downs and the reasons for these, before learning about stereotyping and the judgements that people make about others based on their appearance. They will then explore the impact that stereotyping has.

Assembly themes: _Children will learn about the value of respect this half term. They will also learn about the significance of Harvest Festivals for Christians and have a refresher on The Wavendon Gate Way, our behaviour curriculum. We will be learning about the mental health charity 'Young Minds' and MK Lightning will be visiting us to talk about their ice hockey team.