

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 study how
life was during the
Tudor times. They will
consider whether
Henry VIII was a fair
ruler or a tyrant,
before researching
reasons for Anne
Boleyn's execution.
Pupils will be
consolidating their
knowledge with a trip to
Hampton Court Palace.

Art and Design

Pupils will learn about installation art, including identifying and comparing art installations. They will explore space and scale in 3D art, before working collaboratively within a team to construct their very own piece of installation art to portray a message which they feel strongly about.

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

Pupils will focus on using their very own instrument- their voice! They will learn a new song about Ancient Egypt, by singing in time and in tune. After that, they will be composing their own melody before using hieroglyphic notation to show the structure of their piece of music.

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 through outdoor activities. One lesson will focus on the Paralympic sport, Boccia, whereas the other 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 celebrating Diwali and learning about the mental health charity 'Young Minds'.