## Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter



## Term 4

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! We hope you've had a lovely break. We are half way through year 5! We are really enjoying seeing the progress the children are making in areas of their learning. We will be explaining the homework Dojo challenge when we return to school. It would be great if you could continue to support your child at home by reading regularly and practising times tables and spellings often. Please ask if you would like a copy of the Y5/6 spelling list to share with your child at home.

## What is happening this term?

For whole school events please see the whole school dojo.

We will be thinking about online safety and working with children across the school to talk about issues that children may face and what to do if they have a problem. We are also looking forward celebrating World Book Day.

Homework is due in on Monday 25th March 2024

The Value that we are focusing on this term is:

Kindness

## Key Learning

Subject and Topic	Overview	Key knowledge
English	Reading	<ul> <li>Key Knowledge</li> <li>Identify and discuss themes and conventions</li> <li>Check sense, discuss understanding and explore meaning of new words in context</li> <li>Draw inferences (characters' feelings, thoughts and motives); justify with evidence</li> <li>Predict from details stated and implied</li> <li>Summarise main ideas, identifying key details</li> <li>Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning</li> <li>Evaluate authors' language choice</li> <li>Distinguish between fact and opinion</li> <li>Retrieve, record and present information from non-fiction Key Vocabulary</li> <li>Declared, depended, gathered, experiment, darkness, explore, exploration, resilient, aspiration, impossible astronaut, gravity, lunar, atmosphere, universe, galaxy, spherical, moonless, orbited, military</li> </ul>
	Writing	Writing to inform – we are looking at 'The Darkest Dark' by astronaut Chris Hadfield to write a formal biography.

	Spelling Phonics	Words with suffixes where the root word ends in -fer Words with silent letters (ie. comb, muscle) Challenge words (ie. awkward, equipment)
	Grammar	Punctuation - full stops, capital letters, exclamation marks, question marks, commas in a list, commas after fronted adverbials, apostrophes for contraction and possession) Use commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity in writing Use brackets, dashes or commas to indicate parenthesis Adverbial phrases – a phrase indicating time, place or frequency. Variety of verb forms used correctly and consistently Link ideas across paragraphs using adverbials and tense choicesUse a range of sentences with more than one clause (when, if, 
Mathematics Maths	Decimals and percentages	Decimals as fractions Understand thousandths Thousandths as decimals Rounding decimals Order and compare decimals Understand percentages Percentages as fractions and decimals Equivalent F.D.P <u>Key Vocabulary</u> Decimals, decimal place, tenths, hundredths, thousandths, round, compare, order, smaller than, greater than, significant place, percentages, percent of
	Perimeter and area	Perimeter of rectangle Perimeter of rectilinear shapes Perimeter of polygons Area of rectangles Area of compound shapes Estimate area <u>Key Vocabulary</u> Perimeter, area, length, sides, measure, two-dimensional shapes, perimeter, rectilinear shape, compound shape, right angle, polygons, regular shape, irregular shape, area
	Statistics	Draw line graphs Read and interpret line graphs Read and interpret tables Two-way tables Read and interpret timetables <u>Key Vocabulary</u> interpret, graph, horizontal axis, vertical axis, line graphs, tables, times tables, data, values, amounts,

Science	Animals including humans	<u>Key Knowledge</u> Identify the key stages of a mammal's life cycle Explore the gestation periods of mammals Learn about foetal development Describe the changes humans may experience during old age <u>Key vocabulary</u>
		Dependent, adolescent, offspring, foetus, gestation, breeding, toddler, adult, prenatal, embryo
Computing	Online Safety	<u>Key Knowledge</u> To design and program a character game. To design an original character or backdrop for a game. Add features or effects to enhance a game. Create an original animated game with a specific goal. Program costume changes for a sprite. <u>Key Vocabulary:</u> Script, commentary, code, levels, consequence
DT	Moving Monsters	Key Knowledge To investigate a variety of familiar objects that use air to make them work.
Design		To investigate techniques for making simple pneumatic systems. To be able to gather ideas for creating moving monsters. To be able to design a monster including a moving pneumatic system. To be able to make a monster with a moving pneumatic part. To be able to evaluate a finished product. <u>Key Vocabulary</u> design, make, evaluate, pneumatic systems techniques syringe inflate, air pressure, compress, evaluate
Geography	Rivers and	Key Knowledge
	Mountains	Name and locate major rivers and mountains on a map? Identify how rivers impact on humans and vice versa? Explain how rivers are so important? <u>Key Vocabulary</u> Mountain, Ranges, Alps, Himalayas, Everest, Andes, Rivers
Music	Make you feel my love by Adele	<u>Key Knowledge</u> In this unit of work, the learning is focused around one song: 'Make you feel my love' by Adele. The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, the interrelated dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc.), singing and playing instruments are all linked. <u>Key Vocabulary</u> Pulse, rhythm, pitch, tempo, dynamic

Personal Social	Relationships	Key knowledge Learn about the physical changes during puberty
Health and Relationship	and Sex Education	Learn about the biological changes that happen to males and
Education		females during puberty Learn about the importance of hygiene during puberty and
	Drug and Alcohol Education	respond to questions Learn how and why emotions may change during puberty and where to get appropriate help, advice and support Learn about the correct use of medicines and how vaccinations and immunisations can help to maintain health and wellbeing. Learn about some of the risks and effects of the use of legal and illegal drug use. Learn about the reasons why people use drugs; managing situations and peer influence.
		<u>Key Vocabulary</u> Appropriate vocabulary for male/female body parts, vocabulary linked to the menstrual cycle and hygiene immunisation, vaccination, population, prescribed, epilepsy, diabetes, insulin, asthma, eczema, allergy, dose, drug, substance, legal, illegal, habit, factors, influence, peer pressure, passive, aggressive and assertive strategies.
Physical Education	Physical skills	<u>Key Knowledge</u> To link actions together so they can flow.
No. 1		Perform a variety of movements and skills with good body tension.
	<b>Agility</b> Jumping and Landing and Static balance	<u>Key Vocabulary</u> Turn, balance, tuckjump. 180 degrees, direction, maintain balance, vertical stance, lunge.
Religious Education	what does it	Key Knowledge
🚳 🚳 🔂	mean to be a Christian?	How do members of the Christian faith celebrate and live out their beliefs in:
		- The journey of life? - Their main festivals and practices? - Their faith communities? - The wider world?
		<u>Key Vocabulary</u> Bible, Church, Commandments, Fairness, Forgiveness, God,
		Jesus, Love, Peace, Pray/Prayer, Resurrection, Values.
Spanish	Clothes, colours	I can understand and name some items of clothing in Spanish.
	and fashion	I can identify parts of the verb 'llevar' (to wear) to talk about what I'm wearing.
	shows	I can describe clothes I'm wearing using adjectives of colour. I can describe clothes I'm wearing using more adjectives. I can understand a detailed description of a fancy dress outfit.
		I can design and describe a football / sports kit.