



One Community, Growing and Learning Together

Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2

Welcome to the second term of 2023/2024 academic year as your child continues on their Year 5 journey. We have lots of exciting curriculum learning planned for this half-term and greatly value your support as a parent/ carer. We would like to share our curriculum coverage for this half-term.

English - Pupils will continue their work on the epic poem Beowulf as well as writing non-chronological reports and reading and writing winter poetry. Please support us with reading, by regularly listening to your child read aloud at home.

Maths – Our mathematicians will develop their reasoning and problem solving skills for the operations of multiplication and division. They will also begin to look at work on fractions. Please support us at home by ensuring your child completes their maths homework.

Science – The Year 5 scientists will develop their knowledge of animals, including humans.

RE – Year 5 will be developing their understanding of Christianity by investigating the themes of Christmas and how it can be celebrated as both a secular and non-secular holiday.

PE - Pupils will be developing their teamwork skills and their understanding of tactics to use in games of netball. They will also be developing their fitness by completing a series of circuits in our boot camp unit.

Geography – Children will learn about the physical and human features of tropical rainforests through their study of the Amazon rainforest.

Music – The budding Year 5 musicians will learn how to use their voice as an instrument in our singing unit.

Computing – Pupils develop their digital literacy skills by learning how to use formulae when inputting information into spreadsheets.

Art and Design – Children will be studying the work of Henri Rousseau. They will use it as inspiration, alongside their work on Amazon Rainforests, to sketch, paint and print their own rainforest art.

PSHEE & Relationships – In our Safety First unit, children will consider what it means to take responsibility for their own safety, including the decisions they make and how they can stand up to peer pressure in a range of situations.

Reminders

- Year 5 children benefit greatly from reading every day at home, especially with an adult to hear and question them. Children will receive Reading Raffle stamps for every adult signature in their Home/School Reading Record.
- Homework and spellings will be available on eSchools. Homework can be completed on eSchools, by uploading a photograph **or** on paper and sent back into school. Teachers will check off on eSchools when homework is handed in.
- Homework will be set on a Friday to be handed in on a Wednesday and spelling tests will take place each Friday.
- PE will take place on Monday and Wednesday of each week – please can children have their PE kits in school.

Our Commando Joe Character Values

