



Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter – Spring Term First

Writing

This half term we will be focussed on writing recounts and developing our skills as narrative writers in the horror genre, applying techniques that we learned in our reading lessons last half term when we enjoyed 'Room 13' by Robert Swindell.

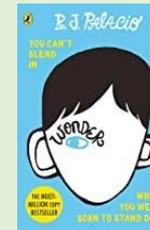
Maths

This half term we will be completing our work on fractions and moving on to decimals and percentages. Don't forget to keep using Times Tables Rock Stars at home



Reading

In reading this half term we will be enjoying 'Wonder' by R.J Palacio. Whilst this is our lead text we will still be reading a range of other fiction, non-fiction, poetry and picture books, to supplement our learning.



Science

This term we will be focussing on learning in more depth about the properties of and changes in materials. This builds on work done in year 2 about materials and year 4 about states of matter. We will be completing more complex fair testing during this work.

Design Technology

The focus of Design Technology this half term is construction with a focus on design and production. We will make a toy with a moving component, which is housed in a cube built by us!

History

We will be developing our understanding of the key historical concept of significance through a study of the Suffragette movement.

RE

Our principal religion this half term is **Sikhism**. Our linked religions are **Islam, Christianity and a non-religious world view**. We will be learning about **beliefs and moral values**. The key question that we will explore is: Are religious stories important today?

PE

Our PE day is Thursday. In Year 5, we will be improving our invasion games skills and playing netball. Building on what we learned in year 3.

PSHCE

The school's Jigsaw theme this half term is **Dreams and Goals**. In year 5 we will learn about the importance of money, jobs and careers. We will consider our dream jobs and the steps needed to achieve this. A key part of our learning will focus on supporting others, specifically through the work of charities.



Music

In Music this half term, Children are introduced to the Blues; the famous genre of music and its history. They will learn to identify the key features and mood of Blues music and its importance and purpose.

Latin

This half-term, we will continue our Latin journey through the Maximum Classics scheme of work. Children will learn present tense verbs this term which will also strengthen their disciplinary knowledge of language learning.