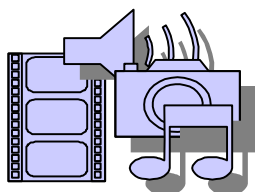




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LITERACY & NUMERACY
Year 5

In Literacy, Year 5 are learning all about Rudyard Kipling and the stories he wrote, including the Jungle Book. We are also looking at film narrative and learning how to make our own films.



In Numeracy we will be learning about fractions, decimals, constructing graphs and solving word problems. We are really focusing on learning our times tables this term.

SCIENCE

Year 5's first topic this half term is Keeping Healthy. We are learning about maintaining a balanced diet and the functions of the heart and lungs. We are also learning about the effects of drugs and alcohol on the body.



In the second half of the summer term, Year 5 will be learning about life cycles. We will be doing lots of work on plants and animals, including monitoring the life cycle of a caterpillar!

MUSIC

We are continuing with our weekly instrument lessons this term. We are learning how to play different notes with our instruments.



P.E & GAMES

In the first half of the summer term, Year Five will be learning how to play cricket. In the second half, we will be doing athletics ready for sports day. We will be continuing with swimming on a Friday morning.

Children will need their P.E kit on a Thursday and their swimming kit on a Friday.

I.C.T

Over the term we will be using the internet for research and presentation purposes. We will also be looking at how to use spreadsheets.

R.E

Year 5 will be learning about Hinduism this term. We will be looking at different ways Hindu's practice their religion. We will also be looking at Hindu art, including Rangoli patterns.

HOMEWORK

This will be set on a Wednesday for handing in the following Tuesday. Weekly spellings are given out on a Monday and tested on the Friday. Your child has a spelling practice book which contains the new spellings to be practised. Children are also encouraged to read at home on a daily basis for at least 10 minutes. Your support in sharing a book with your child is greatly appreciated. Please can you ensure that their reading book is brought into school each day.

ART/ DT

In DT this term, we will be learning how to make healthy meals. In art, we will be looking at a variety of artists and trying to paint in the style of each artist.

History

Year 5 are learning about an ancient city, which existed in India over 4000 years ago. It was called Indus Valley. We will be looking at artefacts and investigating what life was like for people who lived in the Indus Valley.

P.S.H.E

We will be learning about different emotions and relationships.

