Welcome to Year 5

In year 5, we have Miss Sarai and Mr Pattinson. Miss Kimberly is our lovely TA who supports across the year group.

In Year 5, this half term we shall be covering...



In Maths this half term, we will be applying our knowledge of multiplication and division. We will further deepen our understanding of multiples, factors, prime numbers and square/cube numbers. We will also be multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 and using these skills to mentally calculate the answers to a range of different questions. Once we have developed these skills, we will then move on to developing our understanding of equivalent and improper fractions.



This half term in English, we will be exploring narrative texts, focusing on characterisation. The children will learn to develop and portray characters using a variety of writing techniques. Through creative storytelling, descriptive language, and engaging narratives, they will bring characters to life on the page. This exploration of characterisation will not only enhance their writing skills but also encourage imagination and creativity.



This half term in Science we'll be exploring the topic of forces.

Within this topic, we shall be learning about gravity, air resistance, water resistance and pulleys, levers and gears. This will enable us to work scientifically in a number of different ways. We will be repeating our experiments in order to ensure that our tests are fair and recording results in tables. In addition, we will also be asking further questions about our findings and thinking of how we can extend our learning.

We will also be working with the Institute of Imagination on our Wild Eco-Cities project which will enable us to share our scientific learning with children from other schools.



The focus for this half term will be History.

Within this area of study, our children will learn about Crime and Punishment and explore some terrible punishments from the past. They will also explore the reasons behind why they were put into place and learn who they were regulated by. Towards the end of our unit, the children will form comparisons between the past justice system and the present.

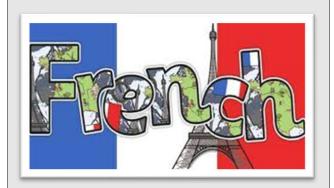




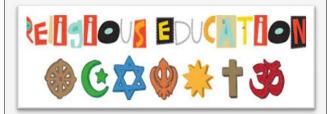
This half term in Music we will go back to the very core of 20th Century music - we will learn and compose a blues song. When children write a Christmas blues song, they cultivate valuable skills in songwriting, enhancing their storytelling abilities and expanding their vocabulary. This creative journey allows them to explore the emotional depth of music, teaching them to convey complex feelings and moods through their compositions. In addition, they will deepen their musical knowledge by delving into blues scales and chord progressions, gaining a better understanding of music theory. Furthermore, collaboration on their songs with peers will nurture teamwork and communication skills, contributing to a well-rounded skill development experience.

Let's talk about music: A humorous fact about blues music is that it's often been described as the perfect genre to play if you're feeling sad or down. However, in a delightful twist, many blues musicians themselves are known for being some of the happiest and most upbeat individuals you'll ever meet. It seems like singing the blues can be a surprisingly effective way to lift one's spirits, and many blues artists have smiles as big as their guitar solos!





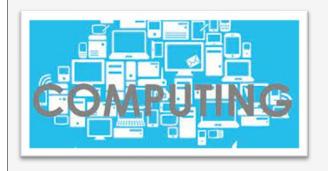
In French in Y5, following on from learning about sports, children will learn about hobbies. They will be able to give opinions about hobbies and say why they like or dislike certain hobbies. They will also look at which sports are popular in France.



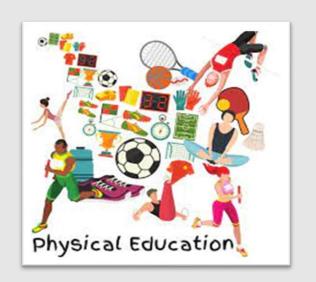
Having finished learning about Sikhism, our attention will turn to Christmas. We will develop our understanding of the Christmas story and consider the real meaning of Christmas.



Within PSHE, the students will delve into the current and necessary issues surrounding health and wellbeing. Year 5 will understand the significance of maintaining a healthy diet and staying physically active. Additionally, they will learn about the value of embracing failure as a stepping stone to success and will be encouraged to set and work towards goals.



This half term, we'll be researching and designing an infographic. This will require us to work with great precision and care in order to produce the best infographic we can.



In PE, our focus will be on gymnastics. The children will engage in a structured program that includes both fundamental and advanced gymnastic skills. These range from basic movements and body positions to more complex routines and apparatus work.