

Year 5 Newsletter

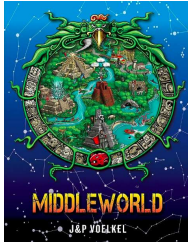
June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back for the final half term of this academic year. As always, we have an exciting and challenging time ahead, and one in which the children will continue to prepare for life in Year 6.

Here are a few details of the curriculum Year 5 will be studying this half term:

Literacy

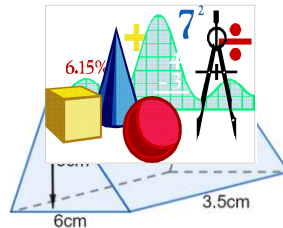


Children will continue to follow the **Text-Based Curriculum**, using a rich core text to develop their comprehension, writing and punctuation skills.

Our main thrust in Literacy is focusing on the exciting Maya inspired narrative, Middleworld.

Through this text, the children will be given the opportunity to write diaries and letters by different characters', information texts, stories, newspaper reports, persuasive leaflets, playscripts etc.

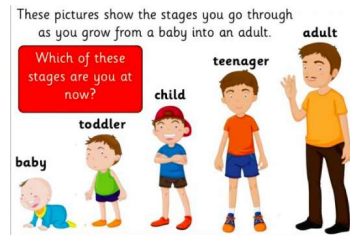
Maths



We will be focusing on Measurement, Area/Perimeter and Volume from our maths scheme: Maths No Problem.

In a short chapter, pupils will identify and use Roman numerals. They will learn to write Roman numerals to 1000, determining rules to apply to the written number. To conclude, they will apply their knowledge to real-life scenarios.

Science



What happens to our bodies as we grown old?

In this topic children look at and describe the changes as humans develop to old age. Pupils draw a timeline to indicate stages in the growth and development of humans and learn about the changes experienced in each stage of the life cycle.

Computing

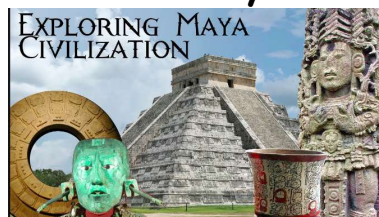


Spreadsheets

Pupils will be able to create simple formulae that use different variables.

We will use a spreadsheet to plan an event, to model a real-life situation and come up with solutions that can be practically applied.

History



Why Should We Remember The Maya?

We will be completing this unit of work. Children will explore the world of the Maya, and especially why most of the Maya seemed to die out around 900 ad.

Art/D.T.



Our professional artist will continue to teach the children, focusing on line, pattern and creating 3d models.

We will continue to use Giuseppe Arcimboldo as our inspiration in creating imaginative portrait heads made entirely of such objects as fruits, vegetables and flowers.

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Physical Education



Children will be asked to come to school wearing their PE kit on PE days rather than changing in school. Pupils will need suitable sportswear for both indoor and outdoor sportswear.

Year 5 PE lessons will take place every **Tuesday** afternoon.

Premier Sports will continue to run the PE lessons following all the health and safety guidance.

Music



All the learning in this unit is focused around one song: Dancing In The Street by Martha And The Vandellas.

Games, the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments are all linked.

R.E.



This half term, our unit 'Why do some people believe God exists?' will allow the children time to reflect and discuss the nature and existence of God focussing on Christian ideas about God.

Children will be given the following homework:

Subject	
Reading	My Book Blog is an online resource designed to enhance the children's journeys through well-loved stories and support them in their reading. A reminder that your child's reading book must be brought into school every day.
Spelling	Spellings will be sent home every Monday . Please help your child to learn their weekly spellings and write appropriate sentences. They will be tested on them the following Friday and the test sent home for you to monitor their achievement. Your child will also be asked to write extended sentences incorporating five of the words from the list. Please ensure that these sentences are written accurately, neatly and are punctuated correctly before sending them in to school.
Spellodrome	Pupils will be given at least 10 words in their Spellodrome account each week. Here they can play games to familiarise themselves with different spelling patterns necessary for the Year 5 curriculum.
Times Tables	The children will be tested on them the following Friday and the test will be sent home for you to monitor their achievement. Hit the Button and Times Tables RockStars are great resources for the children to embed their tables knowledge.
Mathletics	Task(s) will be set each Monday, to be completed by the following Monday. Spellodrome and Mathletics log ins are the same. If your child has forgotten their log in, please ask and we will write it down for them.

If you would like to discuss any concerns you may have with your child then please contact the school and ask for an appointment or catch me after school.

Mr Houston