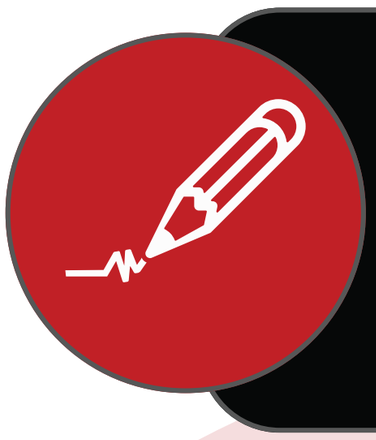
Y5 Newsletter
ADVENT 2

Mathematics

In Mathematics, Year 5 will be continuing with their topic on multiplication and division. They will begin the term by focusing on multiplying and dividing by 3 and 4 digit numbers, using written methods. After this, we will use all our knowledge learnt so far this term to answer word problems. We will also look at graphs this half term. This will include looking at data in a table and on a line graph. Later, we will start our fractions unit.
Our daily Mastering Number will help consolidate the children'sknowledge of multiplication and division.





English

In English, we will be reading the text 'Hidden Figures' and using this to write our own biographies. After this, we will be reading Shaun Tan's, 'The Lost Thing'. During this topic children will be writing a diary entry, a formal letter and will create their own narrative. Finally, we will be looking at 'Freedom Bird' by Jerdine Nolen and focussing on using fronted adverbials to write a biography.

Religious Education

We will begin the half term learning about Judaism, finding out about Passover and the story of Exodus. Then, children will begin 'Branch 2' called 'Prophecy and Promise'. Children will learn about the significance of David in the Old Testament. Finally, children will think about how the Rosary is a prayerful reflection on the life of Christ.





Reading

In Whole Class Reading, we are continuing reading 'The Good Thieves' by Katherine Rundell. The focus will include inference (character thoughts and feelings), asking questions and wondering, and vocabulary. The class book will be 'Llama Out Loud' by Annabelle Sami.

Science

In Science, the children will start the term by learning about the different uses of materials based on their properties: flexibility, hardness, insulators, magnetism, solubility, thermal conductivity, and transparency. Afterwards, they will learn about changing states, through dissolving, mixing, reversible and irreversible changes. The children will plan many different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables, and taking measurements using a range of scientific equipment.



Latin/Music

In Latin, the children will study the unit 'A Soldier's life'. During these lessons, we will learn about life in the Roman army. In Music, we will start with a unit of work focused on learning: 'The Fresh Prince of Bel Air'. This unit will provide children with a chance to listen to and appraise different pieces of music and learn about the interrelated dimensions of music through playing instruments.

Design Technology

In DT this half term, Year 5 will be looking at cooking and nutrition. We will begin the unit by focusing on the work of Jamie Oliver and his Bolognese recipe. After, the children will learn and practise new skills and taste a variety of ingredients. Following this, we will begin by designing our own Bolognese sauce, and finish by making the sauce and evaluating it.

Geography

In Geography, the children will explore the location, features and culture of Norway, Sweden and Denmark. They will find out how the climates differ in various areas of Scandinavia, explore spectacular scenery, learn about the culture and lifestyle in Scandinavian countries and examine how areas in the UK and Scandinavia are similar and different.

Physical Education

In PE, we will develop our flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance while taking part in gymnastics lessons.
We will also be developing our hockey skills in the 'games lessons' too. This includes getting to know some of the rules of the game as well as how to dribble and pass using a stick.
Please remember that a P.E kit (including an outdoor kit) is needed on Monday and Friday.

Personal Development

Children will learn how thoughts and feelings impact on actions, and develop strategies that will positively impact their actions. They will find out about keeping themselves healthy before learning about cyberbullying.

Key Vocabulary

This term, some of the words that we will be learning in Year 5 include:

- self-esteem
- population
- processed
- accelerate
- transitions
- insulator

Class Notices

Monday 16th November - Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 17th November - Year 3, 5 and 6 cinema trip
Friday 20th November - school closed (INSET day)

How parents & carers can help

- Regular reading, asking your child questions about their book.
- Complete any homework set.
- Learn to spell Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Statutory Words.
- Learn all multiplication and division facts up to 12 x12.