

Year 5 Autumn Term

Welcome to Year 5! We are excited to share our learning for the Autumn term. Below is an overview of the exciting things that we will be exploring together and some ways you can support your child at home.

English

- Mythologica
- Percy Jackson
- The Explorer
- The Highwayman

How you can help at home:

Read regularly with your child and discuss the themes and characters. Discuss ambitious vocabulary and encourage them to use this in their speaking and writing. Explore Greek myths together.

Maths

- Place value
- Addition & subtraction
- Statistics
- Multiplication & division
- Fractions

How you can help at home:

Practice times tables regularly. Encourage mental maths during everyday activities. Use graphs and charts found in newspapers, sports statistics or weather reports.

Science

- Properties and changes of materials
- Forces

How you can help at home:

Discuss how materials are used for different purposes. Explore pushes, pulls and gravity through everyday activities. You could investigate which materials are waterproof, magnetic or absorbent.

Physical Education (PE)

- Football
- Athletics
- Fitness
- Hockey

How you can help at home:

Encourage daily physical activity. Practise coordination, throwing and catching skills. Go for a family walk, bike ride or run. Discuss the importance of teamwork and perseverance.

PSHE

- Inclusion and acceptance
- Keeping and staying healthy
- Growing and changing / puberty

How you can help at home:

Talk about kindness, inclusion and respect, and how to resolve disagreements. Encourage healthy routines involving sleep, exercise and nutrition.

Geography

- South America: a contrasting locality

How you can help at home:

Locate South American countries using maps or atlases. Research the Amazon Rainforest and its wildlife. Compare life in South America with life in the UK.

History

- The impact of the Ancient Greeks on the Western world.

How you can help at home:

Research famous explorers such as Alexander the Great together. Discuss how Ancient Greece has influenced modern life, democracy and the Olympics.

Computing

- Sharing information
- Selection (physical computing)

How you can help at home:

Discuss how information is shared safely online. Explore simple coding activities online and talk about how technology solves real-world problems.

Art

- Sculpture: Greek figures

How you can help at home:

Look at Ancient Greek sculptures and discuss their features. Experiment with sketching figures and facial expressions.

Religious Education (RE)

- Beliefs into action (Sikhism)
- Is the Christmas story true? (Christianity)

How you can help at home:

Discuss how beliefs influence people's actions. Explore Sikh values such as equality and service. Talk about Christmas traditions & their meaning.

Music

Charanga unit – Living on a prayer & other classic rock songs

How you can help at home:

Listen to a variety of rocks and popular music together. Discuss instruments used in different songs. Practise clapping rhythms.

MFL – French

French phonetics

How you can help at home:

Practise French pronunciation together. Encourage your child to share vocabulary they have learned. Listen to French songs or videos.

Trips & other reminders

PE days are Tuesday & Thursday

During this term we will enjoy an Ancient Greek workshop in school, funded by the PTA

School Values: Autumn 1 – Respect
Autumn 2 – Community.