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Year 5

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 5 we have been.....

settling into the North site with ease and are enjoying their specialist lessons and various clubs.

Key Stage 2 were visited by Mad Science on Wednesday 11th September to talk about Mad Science Club and give demonstrations of some investigations that the children that attend would be able to carry out.



Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

4 September - 19 December

Half term

22 October - 26 October

Training Day

19 October

Author visit

26 September

Macmillan Coffee Morning

28 September

School photographs

8 October

Curriculum:

English

In English this term, we will be learning about *Just So Stories* by Rudyard Kipling and they will have the opportunity to write their own version. Within this unit of work, year 5 will be focusing on speech punctuation rules, complex sentences and a range of conjunctions. During comprehension lessons, they will be identifying features of a Kipling text as well as analysing and comparing Kipling's style in *Just So Stories*.

Curriculum:

Science

In science this half term, we are learning about the properties of materials, reversible and irreversible changes and developing their knowledge of the three states of matter: solids, liquids and gases. They will be planning fair investigations and working scientifically in the science labs.

PSHCE

This half term, pupils are focusing on 'Myself and My Relationships.' Within this unit they will be focusing on friendships and relationships with their families, friends, peers and adults at school, as well as what it means to belong somewhere.

Core Curriculum:

Maths

In maths this half term, we will be consolidating their understanding of number and place value and formal written methods for addition and subtraction.

Computing

This half term we will be focusing on revising our coding skills. We will be using them to code different games, designing the rules and customising the game's appearance. We will also be developing our use of ICT throughout other areas of our curriculum.

Curriculum:

Theme

This half term, the pupils will be using atlases to locate cities and counties in the UK, developing their map skills and are learning to understand key terms, such as longitude and latitude, grid references, compass points and urban and rural.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about various aspects of a number of religions followed by people in Britain today. We will look at creation stories, similarities and differences and our children's experiences of religion.

Curriculum:

Specialist Subjects

In French, we will be learning key phonics. They will then be learning different breakfast foods in French, using the verb 'manger- to eat', as well as giving our opinion about different foods. Pupils will become confident in using numbers up to 60 and be able to tell simple times.

In art, we will be continuing with a plants and flowers topic. Painting with water colours, looking at Georgia O'Keefe and making a clay flower tile.

Pupils will spend a term and a half in design technology and a term and a half in food technology this year.

In food technology we will explore the secondary kitchen, and learning about the various pieces of equipment and discovering tasty new recipes, and using an oven safely. Recipes that we cover will be, a bread based lunch, fruity smoothies, pasta salad, pizza toast and energy balls.

In design technology we will learn the 'Health and Safety' in the workshop as well as how to create designs from 2D to 3D. We will use basic hand tools and produce name plaques, and using balsa wood to make model planes.

In music, we are learning about the instruments of the orchestra, instrumental families and how instruments produce sound. They will then be focusing on voice and perform pieces for voice and instruments.

In PE we are learning key skills such as throwing and catching, running and jumping and will be incorporating these skills into team games such as bench ball and dodge ball.