



Year 5 Curriculum Overview

Summer 1

Homework is posted/shared every Friday and must be turned in by the following Thursday.

Spelling Test Day is Friday.

Swimming is on a Friday for both classes.

*Please ensure your child comes with swimwear/swim hat on these days.

English

Text: My Story: Titanic by Ellen Emerson White A diary-style story about Margaret Anne's experiences aboard the Titanic, written for upper KS2 readers.

Writing outcomes: This term, pupils will explore the story of the Titanic through drama and historical writing, taking on roles such as passengers, crew and reporters to create newspaper reports, letters, witness statements and narrative recounts, using drama techniques like freeze-frames, thought-tracking and whole-class reenactments to deepen understanding of the event.

Reading: In reading, we will be focusing each lesson on a different skill; vocabulary, retrieval, inference, summarising, prediction and author's choice. The children explore the text in detail.

Grammar and punctuation: sing direct speech Use a wider range of conjunctions, including when, if, because, although Use past tense – simple and progressive Experiment with varying tense (past/present/future)

Science

The human life cycle

In unit, children learn how humans grow and develop. They look at the six stages of the human life cycle – foetus, baby, child, adolescent, adult and elderly adult. Children briefly look at the key features of each stage of the human life cycle and will explore each stage in more detail throughout the block.

Key vocabulary: adolescent, baby, foetus, early adult, adult, life cycle, milestone, womb, child, reproduce, puberty, hormone, life expectancy and gestation.

Maths

This half term the children will be focusing on fractions, decimals, percentages, area, perimeter and statistics. This half term, children will build on their understanding of decimals up to three decimal places and practice rounding decimals. They will explore percentages, finding equivalents in fractions and decimals. In geometry, they will review area and perimeter before calculating irregular shapes. Lastly, they will focus on statistics, with an emphasis on interpreting line graphs.

Key vocabulary: decimal point, tenths, hundredths, thousandths, rounding, decimal numbers, percentage,

Geography:

In this unit, the children will find out about the UK's global trade links, investigating where everyday products come from and the journeys they take to our homes. This builds on work children may have done in KS1 looking at the geography of food. The children will also map the journeys taken by items, and research the pros and cons of buying local or imported goods.

Key trade, import, export, supply chain, producer, consumer, globalisation, transportation, distribution, local produce, sustainability, fair trade

Other subjects

Spanish – Hispanic world Spanish in the world/ other cultures/ describing unknown places..

P.E. – Swimming

R.E – Our unit asks: 'Are all Muslims the same?'

This term, Year 5 are learning how **Islam is practised differently around the world**. They will explore key events in Muhammad's life and learn about both **Sunni and Shia** traditions, helping them understand that Muslims share core beliefs but may interpret and express them in different ways

Computing – To explore Databases

Music – This half-term, pupils will learn about Samba music by developing ensemble percussion skills and exploring the vibrant rhythms and cultural traditions of Brazil.

Art – In this unit, pupils will explore the abstract art of Picasso, focusing on his role in developing Cubism in 1908. Cubism was the first major abstract art movement of the 20th century, showing objects from multiple viewpoints at once, like pieces of a jigsaw. Pupils will learn how early Cubist works were influenced by African sculpture, especially its sharp, angular forms, which inspired Picasso's fragmented, faceted style.

Key Vocabulary: Cubism, abstract, viewpoint, perspective, fragmentation, geometric shapes, angular planes, African sculpture, form, composition, faceted surfaces, Picasso, jigsaw effect, modern art

Home Learning Reminders

Every week this will include:

- Spelling practice, using a new list each week – test Friday
- Daily Reading for at least 15 minutes. Complete homework that is set on Atom Learning.

There may also be other learning enrichment activities and research throughout the term and over holidays.