

## Year 5 Term Notes

### Term 5 - 2024

Welcome back to Term 5!

We hope you have all had a good Easter break and that the children are all ready for another packed term of learning!

Over the course of the term, we will immerse ourselves in the history of the Victorians: placing the Victorians into historical context, researching Queen Victoria, learning about the industrial revolution and the impact of amazing Victorian inventions. We also have our exciting Victorians Day later in the term - please see the letter sent home previously with information regarding payment for this experience day and for simple costume ideas.

In English lessons this term, we will be continuing our Victorian theme by studying the fantastic children's novel 'The Street Child' and we will write diary entries as one of the characters. Later in the term, we will also be developing the children's understanding of performance poetry and using a variety of stimulus to support with this.

In Maths lessons, we will recap and continue to develop our understanding of decimals before moving onto percentages. We will then identify the relationships between fractions, decimals and percentages and use this knowledge to problem solve.

Our Science learning this term will allow the children to learn about the changes a human goes through from birth to growing old - please see the separate Science letter sent home previously explaining more about our learning this term.

Our P.S.H.E. lessons this term will be focusing on Relationships and Sex Education, including learning about the names and functions of male and female sexual parts, what happens to our bodies during puberty, how to keep our bodies clean and how to reduce the spread of viruses and bacteria.

In our R.E. lessons, we will be looking at the Sikh religion and finding out what they believe.

In French, the children will continue to develop their understanding of the French language by looking at different verbs and simple tenses.

This term, during outdoor P.E. lessons, the children will learn and develop their Hockey skills. For indoor P.E. lessons, the children will enjoy developing their table tennis skills and will enjoy taking part in some games and competitions. P.E. days will continue to be on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday** for all classes.

This term in Art, we will be focusing on our 'Formal Elements of Art' unit, with a particular focus on architecture. The children will learn that a building's architectural style refers to the features, such as shapes, materials used and particular methods of construction. The children will also learn about the work of Hundertwasser, a well-known Austrian artist and architect, and will look at and evaluate some of his work.

Starting this term and continuing until the end of the academic year, all of the children will be given the opportunity to learn how to play a range of samba instruments in our special lessons taught by a music leader from NMPAT (Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust). During these lessons, the children will develop their learning of samba music and these lessons will culminate in a special performance to parents at the end of the school year (more information will follow regarding this next term).

Thank you for your ongoing support in encouraging your children in completing their spellings homework, practising their times tables and completing their weekly five home reads.

Please remember to regularly check your child's Class Dojo page to find out about some of the fantastic learning going on and please remember to look at the Knowledge Organisers uploaded to the Year 5 section of the school website so you can see the information your child will be learning during the term.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

Many thanks,

Year 5 Team