

Year 5 – Term 6 2022

Welcome back to Term 6 – the final term of the school year!

In English lessons this term, we will focus on explanation texts, including all the features used in this genre, to effectively create our own piece of explanation writing. We then plan to move on to further develop our non-fiction skills by creating our own newspaper reports, building on the skills we have learnt during lockdown. Finally, we will revisit our setting descriptions using inspiration from a short animation. The children very much enjoy this style of teaching and we know how important it is for the children to move up to Year 6 with these descriptive writing skills embedded and secure.

In Maths, we will be continuing with our focus on geometry: further developing our understanding of angles, using properties of 2D shapes to deduce related facts and learning how to identify 3D shapes from 2D representations. We will then move onto measurement and volume which will include converting metric units and then introducing imperial units to convert. Following this, we will move on to converting units of time and then problem solving involving all these units of measurement. Finally, at the end of the term, we will explore position and directions: plotting points on a coordinate grid, translating and reflecting points and 2D shapes - it's going to be a busy term!

In Science this term, we will revisit our learning about materials, and focus on how materials can change and which changes are reversible and irreversible. We will particularly focus on chemical reactions in this part of the learning which will involve observing and carrying out a number of fun science investigations in the science lab! We will also consider how these properties are applied in the real world.

Our Geography unit this term is climate. As part of this unit, we will be: naming and locating different climate zones around the world, understanding why there are different climate zones, some of the characteristics of each climate zone and even have a go at planning and leading our own weather forecast!

Our PSHE lessons this term are based around building our self-esteem, changes in ourselves and preparing for transition to Year 6. Please see the letter sent out to inform you about some of the content of our PSHE lessons this term.

Our R.E lessons will continue to explore and develop our understanding of the religion of Hinduism and in Music we are continuing to develop and improve our improvisation and singing skills.

This term in D.T we will be looking at the topic of food and how to be healthier. This will include learning about our food, from farm to fork. Also, no food topic would be complete without us getting into our wonderful food technology room and cooking up a storm!

Finally, a reminder that our Year 5 Knowledge Organisers are available on the Year 5 blog. These really help to secure and develop the knowledge they have built. Accessing these at home will hopefully allow you to gain a greater understanding of what your child has been experiencing in school and hopefully provide you with opportunities to deepen and consolidate their understanding.

As always, thank you for your support in encouraging your child in completing their homework: spellings, practising times tables and completing their five home reads. Your support in these areas really does make a huge difference to your child's outcomes.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support this academic year and when the time comes, we hope you all have a calm and restful summer.

Kind regards

Year 5 Team