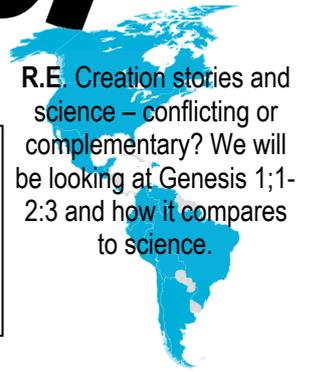


Newsletter

YEAR 5

Autumn 2018



R.E. Creation stories and science – conflicting or complementary? We will be looking at Genesis 1;1-2:3 and how it compares to science.

Welcome to the Autumn term.

We hope you had a lovely restful break and are looking forward to the new term and a new class. This term we will be covering the following aspects of the National Curriculum through our creative curriculum. Many different links will be made between subjects and activities to immerse the children in their own learning through different themes.

Our first half term theme is 'What a Star!' where we will be exploring poetry and explanation texts in **English** and Earth and Space in **Science**. Our second half term theme is 'Let's Explore!' looking at civilisations around the world in **Geography** and creating our own island in **English** using settings and characters. We will be working on setting goals as well as working on anti-bullying activities in **PSHE**. Team games from North and South America and gymnastics in **P.E.** and Hockey and Tag Rugby are the **Games** activities this term.

Our **Science** topics are Earth and beyond and Materials both linking to our English topics. In **History** the Mayan Civilisation will be explored and **Geography** is all about North and South America.

Computing involves programming control devices, animation and using presentation and research.

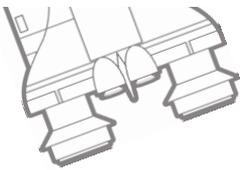
MFL involves familiar language, reading aloud with expression and conversation.

Art and DT focus on exploring South American art and using different mediums to create effects to go with some of our topic.

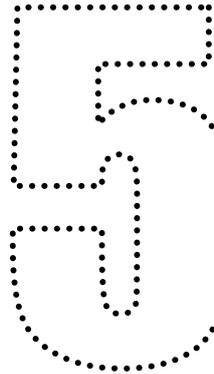
Do come in and help if you can spare an hour or two, reading, working with groups or in practical lessons which are always in need of support.



Music will link to our **Science** topic with composition making and performance practice.



Maths this term will involve using what we know about place value to interpret, compare and explore the number system as well as learning standard written methods, explaining fractions knowledge and scaling.



Reading:

Guided reading in class will continue to be a focus. Pupils have individual books to read at home, these need to be recorded in their reading record book.

P.E and Games:

These lessons will be on **Tuesdays (P.E)** and **Fridays (Games)**. Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit, black shorts and a white t-shirt for PE and a warm jumper and jogging bottoms, or similar to put over the top in winter. Waterproof trainers are required for the field. (No plimsolls are necessary as work in the hall is barefoot).

Homework:

Year 5 will be expected to read regularly and learn times tables and practise spellings. There will be some English, Mathematics or a finding out task connected to our Science, Geography or History topics.

Homework will be returned every **Wednesday**. You will be able to pick a different activity each week from a list of choices which change each half term. Different ways to present homework are also expected so that the whole process remains engaging see the homework sheet for ideas.

All homework must be signed by a parent/carer every week.

As a class we are particularly focussing on place value and non-fiction writing and your child's individual targets can be found on the back of this newsletter.

Year 5 have had a fantastic start to this academic year and we thank you all for your continued support. Please do come and chat to us after school if you have any queries, ideas or just want to say "hello". Mrs Critcher (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) and Mrs Diamond (Thursday, Friday).

Mrs. Critcher and Mrs. Diamond.