

Year 5 Curriculum Overview

English

Spelling – weekly spelling tests

Grammar and Punctuation – Pupils will continue to practice their use of a range of punctuation. They will learn how to apply a variety of grammar and punctuation to elevate their writing.

Writing – Children will be learning the different features of a news report and how to create one. Children will also learn the difference between direct and indirect speech. Children will learn the features of persuasive writing.

Chosen Texts – Anglo Saxon Boy by Tony Bradman, Journey to Jo'burg by Beverley Naidoo

Reading Comprehension – The children will also have weekly Reading lessons looking at different comprehension skills each week.



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Maths

Number:

Children will be learning:

Multiplication and Division

The children will learn key skills:

To recognise place value to 100,000s

Rounding to the nearest 10s, 100s, 1000s

Counting in 10s, 100s, 1000s

Mental strategies for addition and subtraction

Word Problems

Religious Education

The children will begin by studying Branch One: Creation and Covenant. They will explore the life of Moses, with a focus on two significant events. The first event is 'God's Manifestation,' where Moses encounters God in the burning bush and learns God's name. The second event focuses on Moses receiving the Ten Commandments and reflecting on how these commandments shape our lives today. In the second half of the term, the children will move on to Branch Two: Prophecy and Promise. Here, they will study the life of David and examine the qualities of leadership through his example.

Science

We will be learning about the 'Properties and Changes of Materials.' They will compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity and response to magnets.

Geography

We will be learning about the Alpine Region. We will develop our mapping skills, identifying where the Alps are, how they were formed, how avalanches and glaciers have changed the landscape and how homes are adapted to suit the climate.

History

We will be learning about how and why the Anglo Saxons came to England, what legacies the Anglo Saxons left us, and how England became a unified country. We will also study the life styles of the Anglo Saxons.

Computing

Purple Mash- Coding
Children will be able to:
To begin to simplify code.
To create a playable game
To understand what a simulation is.
To program a simulation using 2Codee
To begin to explore text variables when coding

Music

The children will learn the fundamentals of keyboard playing. They will learn to perform 'Ocean Breeze' and learn to perform and compose on the keyboard using the C major scale, including some Christmas music.

PE & Sport

Children will attend weekly swimming lessons. 5Z will swim until February half term and 5R will swim from February Half Term until Summer. All children in Year 5 will have weekly PE lessons.

PSHE

The children will learn about how to belong to a community. They learn topics such as rights and responsibilities, the local council, and handling money. Children will have other lessons this term including: anti-bullying and NSPCC workshops and a lesson on neurodiversity.

Design & Technology

Children will be required to make a hat that would be appropriate for a nativity. Children will be responsible for researching a variety of hats and then designing and making a hat that suits the brief.

Art & Design

Children will be learning about and creating digital art using iPad.

They will be using the works of famous artists to inspire their own work.

Rich experiences/trips

