

Year 5 Newsletter – Summer Term 5

Welcome

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely, restful Easter break. We have a busy term ahead.

Last term, Year 5 showed off their fantastic learning in all areas of the curriculum. The children read, analysed and innovated 'The Highwayman' and wrote our own narrative poems based around 'Rapunzel'; in Maths, the children learnt how to multiply 2-digit by 2-digit, 3-digit by 2-digit and finally, 4-digit by 2-digit. A tricky concept, but they persevered well. In History, the children learnt all about the Transatlantic Slave Trade – they were fascinated and had so many questions! They absorbed the learning so well; when we asked questions based on prior learning, they retained all the information they had learnt!

This term, we are looking forward to a Sports Week and the 'Wonderdome', which will be visiting Hazel Leys Academy to consolidate Year 5's learning all about Astronomy in Science!

Miss Celebicanin

Spelling and Reading

This term, we will test our spellings on a **Monday** and new spellings will be sent home on **Tuesdays**.

We will be reading a wide variety of texts, working on skills such as inference and explanation, finding evidence in the text to support our arguments.



Writing

Fiction: The Explorer – Narrative

Non-fiction: Katherine Johnson Biography (to recount)

Essay: Science: How do astronomers think the universe started and what has happened since? (to inform)



Maths

In Maths, we will be building on our previous fraction knowledge, beginning to multiply them and finding fractions of an amount. Top Marks is a great online platform, which enables pupils to play Mathematical games to build their knowledge and it's free! <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Please also support with timetables at home using TTRS! If you need your child's log in detail again, please speak to Miss Celebicanin.



Science

In Science this term, the children will be studying 'Astronomy'. They will learn that the word astronomy comes from the Greek word 'astron' meaning 'star'. Therefore, astronomy is the science that studies the laws of the stars and everything in the universe beyond the Earth's atmosphere. The substantive concepts of this unit are motion, force, energy, matter and space. In this unit, the children will learn about the evolution of the universe, gravity, the solar system, lunar phases and about galaxies.



Art & Design

In Art, children will be introduced to printmaking by looking at Hogarth's series of prints Industry and Idleness. They will consider how printmaking allows the production of many copies of one image which can be cheaply produced. They go on to consider different printmaking processes looking at examples by famous artists: screen printing by Warhol, relief printing (in particular, wood cuts) by Hokusai and intaglio printing (dry-point and etching) by Rembrandt.



Geography/History

In Geography, children will build on their knowledge of Europe and explore Eastern Europe in more depth. They will explore the countries of Eastern Europe and key features such as rivers and climate. They will compare the UK with a chosen European country. This allows schools to make their own decisions on which

country to study based on their school context. Children will then study the recent conflict in Ukraine and explore the impact on the rest of Europe. They will locate Crimea on a map of Eastern Europe and discuss why its geography has led to many different conflicts over time.

In History, the children will look at the similarities and differences between the impact that the Industrial Revolution had on the lives of the rich and the poor; a theme that has been explored across the curriculum, (e.g., looking at the lives of the rich and poor during Ancient Egypt).



PE

This term, in PE, Year 5 will be going swimming once a week and this will accumulate to their 2 hours of their weekly PE. Children will need to come to school with their swimming costume underneath their school uniform. They will need a towel, swimming hat and a spare change of underwear in their bags.

Children will need a letter from parents if they wish to wear goggles.

All jewellery must be removed prior to going swimming.



PSHE

In PSHE, we will be looking at 'Relationships' – pupils will learn about characteristics, personal qualities, attributes and self-esteem. They will also be learning about e-safety and recognising when an online community is helpful and unhelpful to them.



RE

In RE, we will be answering the question: What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God (Waheguru)?

Reminders

As a reminder, our school uniform for Upper Key Stage 2 is a white shirt and school tie with black trousers/skirt and black shoes.

Children are expected to read at home **daily**. Reading records should be brought into school each Friday for Dojo points to be awarded. These will be checked.

Weekly homework will be given out on a Tuesday to be handed in the following Monday. Dojo points will be given for weekly homework.

Homework Project – some examples below:



History:

- Create an information board explaining what the Industrial Revolution was.
- Write an explanation text for younger children explaining the impact the Industrial Revolution had on trade.



Geography:

- Create a board showing the countries in Eastern Europe, researching them and writing information about them. Could you write your name in the Cyrillic alphabet?

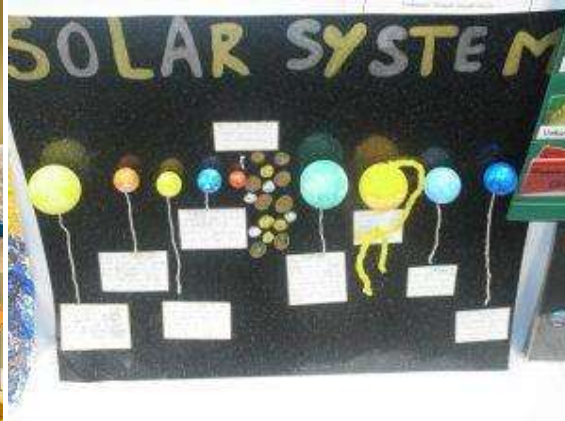
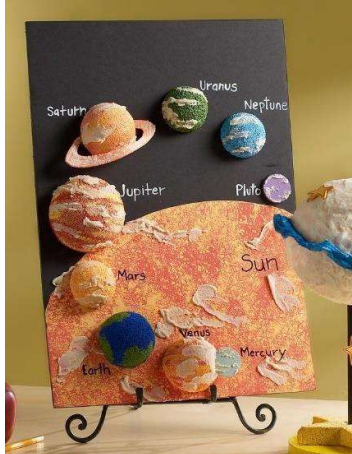


Serbian Cyrillic alphabet
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Science:

- Create a poster explaining information about stars and astronomy.



Dojo points will be awarded for Homework Projects – all children are expected to complete one of the projects and bring them into school on **Monday 15th April**. We would love to display them on our shelves in the classroom!



Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



Times Tables Rockstars



Spelling Shed



Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



Class information

Class Teacher: Miss Celebicanin

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Tina Nelson

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan and that upper Key Stage 2 uniform is black/grey trousers/skirt, white shirt and academy tie.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.



Dates for the diary!



Monday 15th April – school reopens to pupils start of term 5



Monday 6th May- Bank Holiday

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May - KS2 SATs Week

W/B 20th May – Parents' Open Sessions (Foundation Subjects) – days and timings tbc

Monday 20th May – Friday 24th May – Sports Week

Monday 20th May – Mintridge Visit – Danielle Brown

Thursday 23rd May – Mintridge Visit – Nekoda Davis

Friday 24th May – school closes to pupils for half Term

Tuesday 4th June – Term 6 begins