



Year 5 Learning Journey

English

This half term, we will be using our English lessons for Book Art! Our focus in Year 5 is Ancient Greece. We will be writing our own Greek myth, focussing on creating and crafting a 'good' main character, a 'bad' main character and a beast! The children will also be using a range of techniques to create their Book Art piece and make it engaging, including pop ups, pockets and many more. We will be learning about a range of Greek gods and goddesses, creating a fact file of those too.

Mathematics

Year 5 will be finishing their maths learning this year with work on calculating with decimals and whole numbers, using a range of strategies including partitioning and using derived facts, as well as using a written method for all four of the basic operations. We will then move onto shape including identifying shapes as regular and irregular, as well as identifying the different perpendicular, parallel lines and lines of symmetry on a range of polygons. We will begin to consider how 3D shapes can be drawn in 2D, before trying this ourselves!

Science

In Year 5, we are looking at the scientific method. We will be understanding how we ask questions in science and will be able to identify different variables, using this knowledge to then plan our own investigations. We will be able to recognise a range of scientific equipment and will be able to use this equipment effectively. We will then be looking at how scientific methods have transformed thinking over time, from blood transfusions to learning about chimpanzees.

Humanities

Pupils dive into the rich historical tapestry of Liverpool, uncovering its evolution into a prosperous sea port. The unit navigates through Liverpool's dark past, exploring its deep involvement in the transatlantic slave trade, a pivotal chapter that shaped the city's economic landscape. Furthermore, pupils investigate the transformative impact of the industrial revolution on Liverpool, analysing how the city metamorphosed due to advancements in technology and trade. They delve into the engineering marvel of the Rocket locomotive,

elucidating its significance in revolutionising transportation. Moreover, students critically evaluate the profound impact of railways on Britain, studying how these networks accelerated industrial growth and connectivity. Finally, the unit delves into the realities of Victorian-era Liverpool, painting a vivid picture of the hardships faced by the impoverished, thus providing a holistic understanding of the city's historical narrative.

In geography, the topic we will be learning about is the 'Interconnected Amazon'. We will look at what it is like to farm in the Amazon, focusing on the journey of soy, and considering the trading, environmental and social connections. We will then consider how we are connected to the Amazon too!

Music Slapstick and Musical Cliché

This term pupils will explore music technology and sequencing software. They will use Studio One to create a slapstick 'silent movie' using musical cliché motifs. They will learn to mix and balance tracks, splice and copy and export audio and visual data.

Physical Education

This half term, the children will be developing their skills in Athletics. They will be participating in a variety of events which include sprinting, jumping and throwing activities. They will compete competitively and aim to improve their techniques in order to achieve their personal best. During games lessons, the children will be learning how to play rounders and will be developing their knowledge of cricket too. There will be opportunities for competitive athletic meetings including sports day, as well as rounders and cricket fixtures against other schools.

Spanish La Fiesta de San Fermín

This half term, Year 5 pupils will find out about the famous Spanish festival, La Fiesta de San Fermín. They will learn where and when it takes place and about the traditions and rules of the fiesta. They will simulate the event with bull masks! Pupils will revise days, months, numbers and dates to sing the San Fermín song. Pupils will learn vocabulary associated with the fiesta and song words and will practise phonics and grammar as part of this theme.

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This half term, pupils will be learning about and making kites! They will spend time learning the different parts of a kite, as well as the varying types available to buy. They will consider what makes an effective kite, before designing and making their own, ready to test on a windy day.

Religious Education

Pupils, this half term, will learn about Sikhism, more specifically Guru Nanak and the The Guru Granth Sahib, which we will compare this with other sacred texts before hearing a range of Sikh stories too. Our key focus question is: How do Sikhs use their stories and sayings in their everyday lives?

Computing

This unit gives pupils the opportunity to learn how to create short videos in groups. As they progress through this unit, they will be exposed to topic-based language and develop the skills of capturing, editing, and manipulating video. Active learning is encouraged through guided questions and by working in small groups to investigate the use of devices and software. Pupils are guided with step-by-step support to take their idea from conception to completion. At the teacher's discretion, the use of green screen can be incorporated into this unit. At the conclusion of the unit, pupils have the opportunity to reflect on and assess their progress in creating a video.

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