



Autumn Term 2

English

This half term we will be reading Kensuke's Kingdom, written by Michael Morpurgo. The book will lend itself to a number of writing genres, including instructions and stories. In addition, it will provide a great opportunity for drama. Later in the half term, we will be performing narrative poetry. The children will begin to focus on the Y5/Y6 key spellings, homophones and word origins.

Maths

We start the half term with multiplication and division. (Times table knowledge is essential to success in this unit.) These skills will be used in our next unit, focussing on solving word problems. Finally, children will develop their skills in reading tables and line graphs. Previous learning will be revisited in our fluency sessions.

Science

Children will continue to develop their understanding of materials, focussing now on their different properties and uses. They will be learning how to write accurate, easy to follow steps for writing up an investigation method.

We will also be learning:

History

We will be finding out about the Vikings – were they raiders, traders or something else? Children will investigate using a variety of sources, evaluating their reliability.

Music

The children's learning will be based around playing the djembe drums. They will be listening, playing, singing and performing.

PSHE

Our focus this half term will be on health and wellbeing. Children will learn about the importance of looking after themselves, including by having enough rest and eating well.

French

Children will be introduced to the adjective/noun agreement rule and the position of adjectives in relation to the nouns they are describing. Alongside this, they will develop their vocabulary surrounding the body, clothes, actions and feelings.

Art & Technology

This half term, children will be exploring the work of Pieter Bruegel, especially 'Hunters In The Snow'. They will also be developing their cooking skills in the latter part of the half term.

R.E

Children will discover more about Islam this half term. Learning will include understanding the Five Pillars, the importance of Ramadan, Islamic dress code and dietary requirements.

School Day:

- 8:40 – 3:15

Uniform:

- Holdbrook school sweatshirt
- Plain grey or black trousers, skirt or shorts
- Plain black shoes or trainers

Forest School:

- TUESDAY

(Please send children to school in appropriate clothes. They are to bring full uniform, including shoes, to change after the session.)

PE Day:

- WEDNESDAY

(Please send children to school in correct PE kit.)

HOMEWORK:

- Read every night for at least 15 minutes
- Complete Lexia units
- Learn their Year 5 glossaries
- Learn the Year 5/6 statutory spelling list (copies are in their glossaries)
- Practise all times tables using TT Rockstars
- Develop mental maths skills using Numbots

Staff:

- Mrs Downey
- Mrs Ramthor

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