

Spring Term 1 in Year 5



Welcome back!

Our topic for this half term is the **Rainforest**.

Dates for your diaries:

Tuesdays – indoor PE

Wednesdays – outdoor PE

Trips:

- Basketball at Amersham School - Friday 2nd February
- Living Rainforest - Tuesday 27th February

Easter assembly:

Wednesday 27th March – 2.30pm

English

In class we will be reading the books:

The Corn Grows Ripe by Dorothy Rhoads
Journey to the River Sea by Eva Ibbotson

Writing lessons will focus on varying sentence structures, subordinate and relative clauses, speech punctuation, paragraphs, imagery and changing tense appropriately.

We will be writing 1st person short stories, non-chronological reports, biographies and a 3rd person balanced argument.

Maths

This half term we will focus on:

- **Multiplication**

Formal written methods up to 4 digits x 2 digits

- **Division**

Formal written methods up to 4 digits x 1 digit

- **Fractions**

Multiplying fractions
Fractions of amounts

Homework

Spelling – 5 words from the list each week written in sentences. There is also a list of spelling words at the front of the book to practice ahead of a test later this term.

Reading logged on BoomReader a minimum of 3 times a week – at least once should be by an adult who has heard them read aloud.

MyMaths as normal

Google classroom – Space presentation- details to follow

Science

Our next science unit is '**Earth and Space**'.

- Understand the movement and position of Earth, Sun and Moon within our solar system.

Geography

We will be continuing our journey through the Americas by learning about the Amazon rainforest and the geography of South America with a focus on deforestation and sustainability.



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PSHE

Our unit is 'Being my best'

Key themes include; Identifying strengths, independence, responsibility and first aid.

Art

This term we will be learning to create a sculpture using wire and Modroc, developing shaping and smoothing techniques.

RE

We will be investigating Prophets and founders of different World views focusing on Mohammed (PBUH).

French

The children will be learning to share their food likes and dislikes.

'La nourriture'

Computing

Children will be developing their skills on the coding programme Scratch to create selections in quizzes.

Music

We will be developing singing skills such as; harmony, intervals and lyrics and melody ahead of our Easter assembly at the end of the term.

PE

Indoor PE –

Dance – The circus

Outdoor PE –

Netball

(Taught by Mrs Wilcox from Amersham School)

For more detailed information about the curriculum, please see the 'Curriculum' page on the school website.