

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

Enclosed in this newsletter is an overview of all the exciting learning your child will be completing during the Autumn term.

Our topic for this term is 'Raging Rivers'. During this unit, the children will be learning about both the physical and human geography of rivers.

If you require any further information about any aspects of your child's learning, please speak to a member of the Year 5 team.

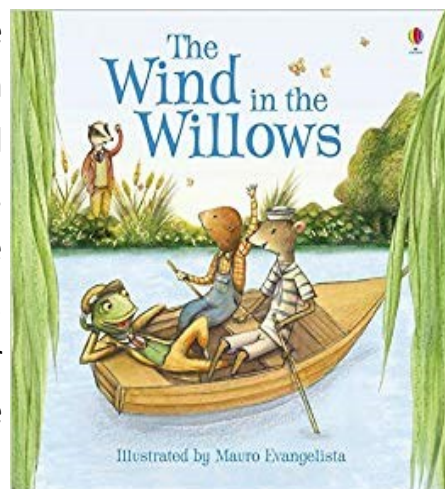
Yours sincerely,

Miss Yoxall, Mrs Parker and Miss Frost

Year 5 Staff

Literacy

Our learning will be based around the text 'The Wind in the Willows' by Kenneth Grahame, which focuses on four great friends (Toad, Mole, Rat and Badger) and their adventures in the countryside. The children will recount parts of the story from the perspectives of key characters from within the text. When reading, the children will develop their inference skills and focus on the effect of the author's vocabulary choices.



Mathematics

During the term, the children will focus on:

- ♦ Reading, writing, rounding and ordering numbers to at least 1,000,000.
- ♦ Multiplying and dividing whole and decimal numbers by 10, 100 and 1,000.
- ♦ Recording decimal numbers as fractions.
- ♦ Securing written methods for addition and subtraction.
- ♦ Converting between different units of metric measurements.



Science

In Science, the children will be learning about:

- ♦ The world of flowering plant reproduction and how to dissect a flower.
- ♦ The key sexual structures of a flower and its life cycle.
- ♦ Ways that plants reproduce asexually and how to grow new plants from a range of parent plant parts.
- ♦ Insect and amphibian life cycles and creating life cycle diagrams.



Creative Curriculum

During our topic, 'Raging Rivers', the children will learn about:

- ♦ The physical geography of rivers, including the water cycle.
- ♦ Locational knowledge of UK topographical features.
- ♦ The use of maps and atlases to read grid references, symbols and keys.
- ♦ Key aspects of human geography, including: types of settlement and land use, economic activity including trade links, and the distribution of natural resources.



Personal, Social, Religious and Emotional Development



In Religious Education, Year 5 will explore what it means to be a Muslim in Britain today. They will also learn why Christians believe that Jesus was the Messiah.

During PSHE lessons, the children will learn how to effectively manage friendships and peer influences. They will determine the appropriateness of different types of physical contact with others and identify what makes them feel safe.

PE



In PE lessons, the children will be taking part in a range of invasion games, including hockey and handball. They will develop the skills needed to pass, dribble and shoot with control in games, identifying and using tactics to help their team keep the ball and take it towards the opposition's goal.

Other Information

Home Learning

Home Learning will be sent home on a Friday and will be collected in on the following Tuesday. If home learning is not returned to school on time or the children require additional support, they will be asked to attend a Home Learning Club on a Wednesday lunchtime. The children have their own log-in details to access Times Tables Rock Stars.

Spellings

Spellings are sent home on a Friday to be learnt in preparation for a test the following Friday.

Home Reading

Every child has been given a reading book and reading journal. In addition, please encourage your child to read a variety of materials, such as newspapers and magazines. Reading journals need to be returned to school every Monday for monitoring.

PE

PE lessons take place on Monday. Each child has been provided with a PE kit. Please ensure your child has their pumps or trainers in school. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons and long hair tied up.



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