English

This term we will be focusing on the book 'Hidden Figures' looking at segregation and discrimination and how four women were instrumental in making man land on the moon. We shall be writing a diary entry and a newspaper. Throughout our topic we will also be spending a week on poetry with the focus on 'His dream lives on' about Martin Luther King. In reading, we shall be completing a novel study on Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo.

Maths

In our early morning work and mental and oral sessions we will be recapping and strengthening mathematical skills. This is going to be supported through our maths spot sessions as we have a large push on arithmetic skills. Areas of learning that will be the focus during this theme include number and place value as well as decimals and money and statistics.

This term we will be learning to be compassionate global citizens. We will look at migration globally and reflect upon common opinions and how the world needs to change.

Computing

For our IT we will be continuing to use Purple Mash, this program can also be accessed at home if you wish. We shall also be attending Sumdog once a week and competitions will be set up for the children to take part in!

History

We shall be teaching history separately this year and our focus this half term is on Baghdad 900CE, where we will research the rise of Islam and how the society developed over time. We will also be investigating the Mongols, what they did and what were the consequences on a city which was world renowned as a vision for the future. This will also link to our geography as we locate the countries on a map.

Migration

Science

This term we shall be covering the topic of Earth and Space, looking at the planets in our Solar System and the order/way in which they rotate around the sun. We shall also be looking at the lunar cycle and the impact the moon has on the tides. Finally, we shall be learning about the physics of light and shadow and how the sun appears to move across the sky.

Geography

We will be looking at the key countries that migrants come from and where they are located; placing them on a world map and comparing them.

We shall also be ensuring that we can name and identify the 7 continents and 5 oceans as well as the major seas.

Throughout this term we will be focusing on atlas skills and mapping. This will support us in identifying key countries and relating them to their flags and topographical features.

Y5 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a wonderful summer and are excited to have the children with us refreshed and ready for an exciting year in Y5!

Throughout the year we shall be supporting the children in making the progress necessary to continue to close the gaps and get them prepared for Year 6. There will be an emphasis on key skills in maths, literacy and reading as well as fully involving the children in our new history and theme topics!

This half term we will be learning about migration, who migrants are in society and why they choose to move. We shall also be looking at push and pull factors and discovering the history of migration over the years.

What's new this year for your child in Year 5:

• Children take on more responsibilities around the school.

PE

Class 11's PE will be on a Wednesday afternoon.

Class 12's PE will be on a Monday afternoon.

Appropriate kits are expected to be in school on these days as both are important and enjoyable parts of the curriculum.

REMINDER: Children's P.E. kits <u>should consist of blue or black</u> <u>shorts</u>, a white t-shirt and trainers or pumps. Tracksuit bottoms are optional during colder weather.



Important dates for your diary:

05.09.2022 - Training Day
06.09.2022 - Training Day
07.09.2022 - School reopens
03.10.2022 - Training Day
10.10.2022 - Class 11 Parent
Conversations
21.10.2022 - Class 12 Parent
Conversations
21.10.2022 - End of term