

Our English Learning

This half-term, we will build confidence and enjoyment in reading and writing through a range of engaging activities.

- **Instructions:** We will revisit grammar and punctuation before writing our own guide: *How to Be Successful in Year 5*.
- **Traditional Tales:** We will explore a twist on *Little Red Riding Hood*, developing reading and writing skills through creative activities.
- **Handwriting:** We will focus on legibility, consistency and presentation, taking pride in our work.
- **Reading:** We will develop fluency and comprehension while enjoying increasingly challenging Year 5 texts.

How you can support your child with English

- Read with your child every evening and remember to sign their reading record.
- Practise their weekly spellings together and check their understanding of the Year 5 key words.

R.E. What does it mean if Christians believe God is holy and loving?

The children will explore Christian beliefs about God, focusing particularly on what it means to describe God as holy and loving.

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Geography: What Biomes Can We Find on Our Planet?

Children will explore the five major biomes: aquatic, desert, forest, grassland and tundra. They will use maps and globes to locate biomes and develop their understanding of latitude, longitude, the Equator, hemispheres and the Tropics, exploring their geographical significance.

Other News and Updates

P.E.: P.E. will take place every **Tuesday and Thursday**. Children should come to school wearing their P.E. kit on these days, with their school jumper, cardigan or fleece worn over the top.

The P.E. kit consists of:

- White T-shirt
- Black shorts or leggings
- Trainers or pumps

Please remember that earrings must be removed before P.E. lessons.

A Final Note

As always, no question is too small! Please pop in and speak to me if you have any questions or would like to discuss how we can support your child in school, or how you can help them with their learning at home.

Thank you for your continued support!

Our Mathematics Learning

This half-term, we will explore **decimals and money**, focusing on:

- Understanding tenths and hundredths and their place value.
- Adding, subtracting, comparing and ordering decimals.
- Comparing amounts of money and understanding the value of a pound.
- Solving money problems and calculating change efficiently.

How you can support your child with Maths

- Practise times tables, including the related division facts.
- Every child has their own Times Tables Rock Stars login. Please encourage them to practise for a few minutes each evening.

Science: Forces

In Science, we will be learning about forces and how they work. The children will take part in exciting practical investigations, observing forces around us and exploring how they affect the movement of objects. They will also investigate the effects of gravity and develop their scientific enquiry skills.