

Literacy

We will be reading 'The Witches' by Roald Dahl and completing various BIG Read mission on this. We will be working on writing poetry and a fiction text. As always, we will be using 'Rainbow Writing' to encourage children to use varying openers, WOW words, different clauses, punctuation and conjunctions in their writing. This year we will be focusing highly on spelling. Therefore, we will be looking closely at spelling rules and patterns for the year 5 spelling word list. We will be completing investigations on these!

Geography & History

In Geography, year 5 will be developing their mapping and fieldwork skills. This will include using maps, atlases and globes to locate countries as well as using eight points of a compass, four and six-figure grid references, symbols and key to build their of the United Kingdom and wider world.

In History, year 5 will be investigating and studying local history.

RE and PSHE

In RE, we will be exploring what Muslims believe about God. Throughout our sessions, we will also be looking at current topical issues in relation to this from around the world.

In PSHCE, we will be exploring the topics of money matters, relationships and going for goals.

Mathematics

Year 5 will be looking at place value, addition, subtraction and statistics in mathematics. Throughout the term we will be working on our reasoning and problem solving skills within these areas. We will also be completing regular BIG Maths CLIC and Learn It challenges to develop fast recall of number facts and operations. Alongside this, we will be completely times table challenges to ensure the children know their times tables, developing their ability to recall them promptly.

Science

This half term our focus is properties and changes of materials. The children will be comparing and grouping materials based on their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity and response to magnets. As well as this, we will be exploring filtering, sieving, evaporating and dissolving, leading to discussion and practical work on how materials change state and whether this is always reversible.

Do you believe in
magic?
Autumn Term 1
Year 5

Art & Design and Design & Technology

In Art & Design this half term, we will be delving into the world of Harry Potter. The children will be developing their sketching techniques with a goal of completing detailed drawings of Hogwarts.

In Design & Technology, we will be looking at which food is good for our bodies and what keeps us healthy. Bearing this in mind, we will be making our own edible magic potions.

Music

In Music, we will be delving into the world of Harry Potter and the music to accompany this magical world. The children will be listening to and discussing the soundtrack of the films and the action or events which complement the music.

Computing

We will be using various technologies to plan, create and evaluate short stop frame animation films.

PE

In PE, the children will be working with the sports coach to develop a broader range of skills in a variety of games.

French

In French, we will be focusing on asking a friend where they live and answering this question.



Take Away Homework



For this half term you have these topic homework tasks to choose from. They start at simpler tasks (extra mild) leading up to more challenging tasks (extra hot). Choose a task from below to complete and bring into school. If you would like to challenge yourself further and complete more than one from the list, even better! Please bring in your homework by Friday 19th October, so we have time to share all of your wonderful work!



Write a diary entry imagining you are a character from Harry Potter.

Create a quiz on Harry Potter or another magic themed book you've read to quiz the class. Remember to make a note of the answers too!

Create your own magic themed sculpture! This could be Hogwarts, a castle or use your imagination!

Create a magic potion with an ingredient list. What have you put in it? can you use measuring units? What does the potion do?

Create a magic themed board game!

Write a newspaper article about an event that has happened at Hogwarts. This could be an event you know happens in the book/film.

Design a new crest for one of the Hogwarts Houses!

Write about a typical day in the life of a witch or wizard!

Create the perfect meal for a witch or wizard! Be creative!

Create a magic spell and tell everyone what that spell does! Advertise your spell on a poster!

Create a warning poster or advert for a mischievous witch or wizard on the loose!

Create your own mystical character! Draw them and describe what they are like!
EXTRA CHALLENGE: Build a model of your creature!