



Year 5 Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

‘Inspiring a love of learning to last a lifetime’

Our Core Values

Courage

Ambition

Respect

Excellence

Our curriculum is **ambitious**. Subject leaders take pride in preparing a knowledge-rich, coherent and well-sequenced curriculum which is deliberately planned so that children acquire the knowledge and skills required for them to transition to their next stage of learning. As it pushes children beyond their day to day experiences, we develop **courage** and we support them every step of the way in their drive for **excellence**. Our curriculum is diverse and teaches them to **respect** different traditions, peoples, cultures, the environment and all of the members of the school community.

Subject	Spring 1 st half-term	Spring 2 nd half-term
Maths	Fractions, decimals and percentages, number and place value, four operations, perimeter and area,	Angles, volume, fractions, division, co-ordinates, translation and reflection
English	Jumanji , Persuasive writing: informal and formal and a retelling.	Journey to Jo'burg, Windrush Child A retelling through a letter, 3 rd person narrative, discussion text
Science	Forces Forces including gravity, air resistance, water resistance and friction, a guided investigation on a paper drop, pulleys, gears and levers	Astronomy The Big Bang and the expanding universe, gravity, the solar system, the Moon and our galactic neighbourhood
Geography	UK Geography East Anglia: physical Geography and land use, the Midlands – settlements, and the human and physical Geography of Yorkshire and Humberside	Mountains Overview of mountain ranges, the Alps, Himalayas, American mountains and African mountains
History	The French Revolution Life in France before the revolution, Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette, Napoleon, Battle of Trafalgar, Battle of Waterloo	The Transatlantic Slave Trade The origins of the Slave Trade, the Atlantic Passage, Enslaved Africans, abolition of slavery, the abolitionists: Clarkson, Wilberforce and Equiano
Art	Art from West Africa Spiritual purpose and significance, ceremonial masks, cultural changes Creating: relief sculptures	Chinese Painting and Ceramics Chinese painting materials, using brushes and colour for Chinese painting and design, porcelain, Chinese trade with and influence on western world
PSHE	Health and Wellbeing Relaxation: yoga, the importance of rest, embracing failure, going for goals, taking responsibility for our feelings, healthy meals	Citizenship The law, rights and responsibilities, protecting the planet, contributing to the community, pressure groups
Music	Make you feel my love Appraising, singing, improvising	Fresh Prince Appraising, singing, improvising
French	Where I live	Physical descriptions of ourselves
PE	TBC	TBC
RE	Prayer: Islam, Judaism, Hindu	Prayer: Islam, Judaism, Hindu
Computing	Spreadsheets	Databases
DT		Woodthorne's Formula 1 Creating a car and making wheels, axels, and motors

Please remember to check the school website for dates for the diary regarding celebrations, visits and other special occasions.