

We hope you had a lovely half term and enjoy reading about all of the exciting learning that will be taking place in Year 5 this half-term. The children are continuing to blossom in Year 5! As always, if you have any questions about your child's learning, please feel free to find their teacher at the end of the day for a chat.



English



We will continue to look at sentence structure and look closely at how to use speech, to help us build up to our next piece of writing. Towards the end of the half-term, we will use drama and role play to embed our learning, again using ambitious vocabulary to meet our Year 5 expectations.

In Reading, children shall be developing their strategies for understanding what they have read - our class novel is *The Whiz Mob and the Grenadine Kid*.

Children should be reading a variety of material at home as well as at school. All pupils have access to a MyON and Accelerated Reader account. They are welcome to take their Accelerated Reader book home and should complete their quiz as soon as they have finished a book. Books accessed at home and on MyON can also be quizzed on Accelerated Reader, if they are available.



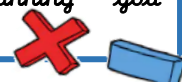
Maths

We will continue our Maths this half term by looking at money, to extend our learning of decimal fractions from last term. Children will be challenged to use rounding, addition and subtraction, alongside solving problems using mental and written methods.

Once we have mastered this area of Maths, we shall be moving on to negative numbers, short multiplication and short division.

Children will continue to practise the four operations to ensure that they can do it back to front, upside down and with their eyes closed. They will also complete daily arithmetic questions each lesson to maintain their mental maths skills.

Children should use Times Tables Rockstars to practise their multiplication tables at home, as well as at school. There are competitions running - you have to be in it, to win it!



Science

This half term, we shall be discovering all there is to know about **Forces**.

We will be looking at gravity, friction, air resistance and water resistance.

We will complete experiments to test our predictions, which we will then record and analyse, to see if we were correct.



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History & Geography



Our topic this half-term is

Life Outside Kirkby - contrasting locations with Marseille.

We will be exploring the geographical features and local history of Marseille and comparing the information that we find with the information we collected last term about Filey and Whitby.

MFL

We started by learning about high street buildings and how to give directions in French.

Then, we moved onto revisiting our numbers to 60 so that we could tell the time.

This half term, we will finish our unit of work with a recap of French animals, before moving on to describe their habitats.

We will also focus on the sounds that different letters make in a 'French phonics' style.

P.E



Our P.E days are:

Monday and Thursday

Please make sure that your child has their P.E kit at school with them all week. Many P.E lessons will take place outside.

Our P.E units this half term:
Dance and Hockey

Diary Dates & Messages

Please add these dates to your calendar.

Dress as a Rockstar:

Tuesday 14th November 2023

Christmas Jumper Day:

Thursday 7th December 2023

SKA Exhibition:

Wednesday 13th December 2023

End of term:

Friday 22nd December 2023



Homework

Children should:

Complete weekly homework and return it on **Friday**;

Practise times tables on TT Rockstars;

Read Accelerated Reader books, home books and MyON regularly.