



Year 5 Summer Term Newsletter

April 2019



This term, Year 5's topic is "A World of Cracking Ideas!". This will focus on the creative process of invention and design, with a leaning towards History, Science and Design Technology. The children will look at important inventions through time before moving on to consider such issues as patenting and copyright.

Our P.E./ Dance sessions will continue to take place on **Monday** afternoons. Please ensure that your child has a complete PE kit in school, including suitable trainers / plimsolls.

Our **Class Assembly** will be on **Thursday 11th July at 9.15 am**. We would love to see as many of you as possible there!

English

Our main book for the term will be "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" by In Fleming and will give the children opportunities to identify the effects filmmakers use to create mood, shape viewpoints and develop characters. We will also be creating our own adverts for a product and writing explanation texts.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Skills (SPaG)

The children will revise and develop their understanding of various grammar devices and learn how to incorporate them into their writing.

We will continue to use Spellodrome to help children to become more confident at spelling. Children need to learn their weekly spellings, so please help them to learn them at home.

Maths

This term we will be focusing on :

Decimals, and Percentages, Properties of Shape as well as Investigations and Problem solving..

We will also have opportunities in Science, History, PE and ICT for more cross-curricular application of our Maths skills.

Please find the time to help your child to learn and consolidate these facts.

Children are expected to know all tables to 12x12 by the end of Year 5.

Children who are able to recall their times tables facts are able to make links between a wider range of mathematical topics. Children can access TT Rockstars at home using their login.



Art & DT

This term will focus predominantly on DT. The children will design their own trademarks as well as finding out more about the life and work of Leonardo Da Vinci.

RE and Humanities

The children will study the lives of the Northern Saints. We hope to visit Durham Cathedral to learn more about the lives of St Cuthbert and St Bede. More details will follow shortly!

In History we will look at the lives of some famous inventors and consider the impact their ideas had on our lives today.

MFL

The children will continue to learn some basic spoken and written French. We will learn vocabulary related to clothing and food.

Science / ICT

Our Science focus will be on forces. We will look at magnetism, air resistance, water resistance and gravity. We will plan and carry out experiments to help us understand how the forces can vary.

In ICT the children will use coding software to create a game which has a scoring and lives system. They will learn how to "debug" their programming and refine their initial ideas.

Music and PE

In P.E. our focus will be on Cricket. We will also learn some basic Lindy Hop in our dance lessons.

In Music we will consolidate the learning from last term with Miss Hughes and also study how the guitar has developed over time.