



# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 1  
Year 5

Miss Simpson & Miss Summerson

## English

We will be starting the term by reading 'No Ballet Shoes in Syria' We will be spending time developing our understanding of the text before moving on to writing a diary entry, a character description as well as persuasive writing. We will be reading a variety of texts during our story times which will help us develop our love of reading.



## Mathematics

During Maths, we will be learning about the place value of digits and what they are worth in numbers up to 1,000,000. We will then be furthering our knowledge on addition and subtraction looking at using written methods for up to four digits and applying our knowledge to word problems. Our final focus this half term will be multiplication and division in which we will look at cubed numbers and multiplying and dividing by 10, 100, 1000.

### Dates for the diary

Tuesday 26th September—  
School photographs  
(individual)

Saturday 30th September—  
Peppa Pig Open Day 10.30am  
-12.30pm

Friday 20th October— SEND  
Coffee morning for parents  
9:00am-10am

Thursday 26th October—  
Harvest Festival assemblies.  
Details to follow.

### Careers

If you have time to come in and chat to our children about these jobs please email the class teacher:

Physicist

IT technician

What can you do to help your child?

Homework is set every week each Friday. In books and online (Conquer Maths and Spelling Shed) It should be handed in by Thursday. We expect children to read at home daily for at least 5 minutes.

### Gem Power:

We are beginning the year by focusing on our Diamond Power. This is where the children attempt to solve their own problems before asking for help.

PE  
Friday is our PE day. Please wear outdoor shoes/trainers and warm clothing, including long joggers/leggings.



### After-school clubs

3:15 –4:15pm

Friday lunch time - choir

Wednesday— Spanish Club

Thursday—Science Club

Thursday—Chess club.

## History

The children will learn about the lasting legacy of the Maya in Central America. They will explore the Mayan culture in detail and learn about their different beliefs .

## Science

In Science we will be learning all about forces and space. We will be learning about the different planets in our solar systems and discussing forces such as gravity.

## Computing



Children will continue to improve their skills using Microsoft Publisher. They will develop and refine their skills in combining text and graphics to produce an information leaflet about the Maya.

## Art

This half term we will be using charcoal to produce drawings of Mayan temples. Children will look at the work of charcoal artist Dan Pyle.

## Religious Education

In RE we will be learning about the importance of Moses to Jewish people. We will also learn about why Jewish people visit a synagogue.

## PSHE Including RSE

In PHSE we will be focusing on health and wellbeing. Discussing our identities and how we are similar and different.

## Spanish

We will be futhering our Spanish phonics skills and learning about different pets.

