

Class Rigby Y5/6	Spring term 1st half
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English	<p>We will begin this half term by focusing on our whole school book 'Little Mouse and the Red Wall'. We will then spend the rest of the half term focusing on our new class novel 'The Nowhere Emporium'. We will explore the plot in full detail and write for a variety of genres including; writing a prologue, descriptive writing, informal and formal letters, an advisory email and an advertisement.</p> <p>SPAG The children will have daily SPAG lessons. The children will be expected to transfer this learning into their written work. This term, we will be focusing on; prefixes/suffixes, parenthesis (brackets and dashes), colons, semicolons, synonyms and antonyms.</p>
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Maths	The children will finish their unit based on multiplication and division. We will look more closely at long and short division before moving on to look at solving word problems with multiple steps. We will then be focusing on graphs including tables and line graphs before then looking at fractions towards the end of the half term.
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R.E	Mission	During this topic, the children will learn that The experience of community is an essential and enjoyable part of life for people of every age and faith. The cycle of a year and the span of a lifetime contain occasions for regular celebrations as well as unexpected surprises, when people want to celebrate with family, friends and communities.
	Memorial sacrifice	During this topic, the children will learn that being thoughtful for life, for people and gifts, is a vital part of our relationships with one another. When praise and appreciation are experienced, we are enabled to relate on a deeper level.
Music	I feel good	We will spend the first half term looking at the song 'I feel good' by James Brown. We will focus on the beat and the rhythm of the song and learn different parts of the song each week.
Computing	Blogging	This unit of work uses the Purple Mash tool 2Blog and is designed to help children learn the basic principles of creating and maintaining a blog in a controlled and safe environment. Using 2Blog, this unit will give children a basic understanding of how to plan, create and present their own blog.

Science	Forces	This 'Forces' unit will teach the children about balanced and unbalanced forces, gravity, friction and the use of mechanisms such as levers, gears and pulleys. The children will identify forces and complete force diagrams. They will find out about Isaac Newton and his discoveries about gravity. The children will look at mass and weight of objects, using newton metres to measure the force of gravity. They will investigate air and water resistance and friction.
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Y6	Living things and their habitats	Within this unit of work the children will learn about the classification of living things. They will extend their learning to find out about the standard system of classification first developed by Carl Linnaeus, choosing an animal and researching its classification. The children will learn about microorganisms and conduct an investigation based on them.

Art	Cityscapes	Within this unit the children will have the opportunity to use a range of media to produce their own artwork based on cityscapes. They will learn about famous cities around the world to use as inspiration for their final design.
Spanish	Presenting myself	In this unit the children will learn how to; Count to 20 in Spanish, say their name and age in Spanish, say hello and goodbye and then ask how somebody is feeling and answer in return how they are feeling, tell you where they live in Spanish, tell you if they are Spanish or English, introducing concept of gender and agreement.

Topic	History (Stone Age to Iron Age)	This unit will teach the children about how the Stone Age to Bronze Age period impacted on life in Britain. They will learn about how early man survived in a harsh environment, why Skara Brae was important for understanding life in the Stone Age, how copper mining was crucial to the Bronze Age and why Stonehenge was built.
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P.E (Tuesdays)	Athletics	Children will work on their basic athletics skills such as running, jumping, throwing and catching through taking part in a variety of activities and games.
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How you can help your child make progress!

- ☺ Read with them several times a week and encourage them to read independently.
- ☺ Practice number facts regularly e.g. Times tables.
- ☺ Encourage them to learn spellings and complete all homework tasks on time.
- ☺ Keep an eye out for suitable programmes on T.V. that are related to what we are studying. *The discovery channel often shows some good programmes.*
- ☺ Discuss the plot, characters and conclusions of films, plays and soaps that you watch together
- ☺ Try to take them to the library or local museums so that they can find out further information about topics studied in class.
- ☺ Give them suitable responsibilities, to encourage independence.

Most importantly!

- ☺ Talk to them about their school day and ask them what they have learned. They will amaze you with what they get through in a day!

Homework

Homework & Spellings:

Homework and spellings are given out on a Monday. Your child will be tested on their spellings the following Friday. It is imperative that they also know the meanings of the words that are included on their spelling list.

Your child will be given homework each week related to work we are covering at the time.

Reading: Children will need to change their book at least once a week. Please listen to your child read, ask them questions about the book and comment honestly on how you feel they have read.
On **Friday** we will be asking all children to bring in their reading book and record to be changed.

PE: Our PE day this half term is **Tuesday**. On PE days, children are asked to come into school wearing their PE kit (for the entire day). In the colder months, children are allowed to wear a tracksuit over their PE kit to keep them warm throughout the day.

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