

English

In reading, this half term, we will be exploring the story 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick. We will work on retrieval and inference style questions, justifying our answers with reference to the text. In writing, we will be writing persuasive letters on the themes of water conservation and plastic pollution. Later, we will base our writing on 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell, looking at the Amazon River.

The features we will be looking to incorporate into our writing will be:

- Cohesion between our paragraphs.
- Parenthesis (brackets, dashes and commas)
- Subordinate clauses

Features of non-fiction texts including formal and informal writing

Maths

In maths, the children will be finishing our learning on position and direction and will also learn more about decimals, negative numbers and measurement.

RE

Children will continue to explore the question, What do we understand about the word 'covenant'? They will explore what Jews and Muslims believe about Moses and Abraham from writings in the Torah and the Qur'an and what these three faiths share and where they differ.

Music

Children will be focusing on performance. They will be learning upbeat, lively songs that allow them to practise being expressive when they sing. We will also be practising songs for our own end of year assembly.

Spellings

Year 5 are focusing heavily on improving their spellings and in the next half term there will be a focus on:

- Word families and root words
- 'i' before 'e' except after 'c'
- Revisiting suffixes

French

The children will learn about the topic 'En route pour l'école', in which they will practise how to say and talk about their journey to school, focusing on modes of transport. They will learn to listen attentively to spoken French and show an understanding of how to respond. They will learn correct intonation and pronunciation.

PSHE

In Year 5, our students will embark on an exciting exploration of various careers, engaging in thoughtful discussions about their aspirations and the professions they might wish to pursue in their future.

Water



Geography

During this half-term in Geography, the children will explore water, beginning with the water cycle. They will learn about rivers and the importance of water conservation. Additionally, we will discuss human impacts on the planet, focusing on global warming and plastic pollution..

PE

This half term in outdoor PE, the children will be taking part in athletics, where they will develop competence in a range of track and field athletics events. In indoor PE, the children will take part in dance sessions organised by Northern Ballet.

Science

Our topic this half term is marvellous mixtures and materials.

The children will learn how to separate mixtures by evaporating, filtering and sieving. They will identify and describe reversible and irreversible changes.

Art

In Art, we will be planning, researching and designing a sculpture. We will be learning about installation art, including identifying and comparing art installations and exploring space and scale in 3D art.