

Curriculum Booklet

Year 5 – Spring 2026

English



This term in English we will be looking at story writing based on our key text for Spring 1 is 'The Elephant's Friend'. We will be focussing on descriptive language, sentence structure, paragraphs, integrating dialogue and the use of vocabulary to engage the reader. During the second half of Spring term, we will be looking at the history of India and Pakistan and writing a non-chronological report. The children will also learn to link sentences and paragraphs using coordinating and subordinating conjunction.

Maths

Fractions - We will cover equivalent fractions, comparing and ordering fractions, adding/subtracting fractions, with a focus on fractions with different denominators and fractions that create improper fractions and mixed numbers. We will also multiply fractions by whole numbers and multiply mixed numbers by whole numbers
Decimals - We will cover comparing decimal numbers to find which is greater and smaller, adding and subtracting decimals before turning decimals into fractions and rounding decimals.



Science

As a scientist in Spring 1, we will be learning about, "Living things and their habitats" with a focus on the Scientist/Inventor: Eva Crane. We will be learning about the differences in life cycles and will learning to describe the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.

In Spring 2, we will be learning about, "Animals including humans". We will be looking at the changes in humans as they develop to an old age.



History



As a historian, we will be learning about South Asian History. We will be looking at the Decolonisation of India, Gandhi and the partitioning of India and Pakistan. During Spring 2, we will be learning about Civil Rights.

We will also be looking at the Transatlantic Slave Trade, Civil Rights Movement and we will also be looking at some significant people such as Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King Jnr and Malcolm X.

Geography

As a geographer, we will be learning about South Asian History including mapping South Asia and the countries within it, climate and religions.

During Spring 2, we will be learning about Civil Rights and will be mapping the British and the World, whilst looking at time zones, hemispheres and the equator.



D&T

This term in D&T, we will be completing food technology and looking at chefs for inspiration on cooking. The children will look at how to make bread and their final task will be to make their own Naan Bread. They will need to create an ingredients list and write a method to follow when making their Naan bread.

Some key questions include:

- How can we store food safely?
- How can we prepare food safely?



Art

As artists, the children will be looking at the Taj Mahal and how/why it was built and will be designing their own building using the styles seen on the Taj Mahal and other Indian buildings.

During Spring 2, we will be looking at Elizabeth Catlett who was an American-born Mexican sculptor and graphic artist best known for her depictions of the Black-American experience in the 20th century. The children will be analysing her work and considering why her work was so powerful.





This term in RE we will be looking at Identity and how Muslims live their lives.

The children will be learning about Islam and what the main beliefs are. We will also look at the importance of festivals with a particular focus on Easter and Eid.

Computing

This term in Computing we will be covering:

- Word processing that includes skills like: identifying spelling mistakes (using the error lines), copy and paste, undo icon, changing font size and colour, inserting pictures, thesaurus, manual spell check, inserting tables, adding rows and columns and touch-typing.
- Data Handling- Data logging



This term in PHE we will be covering:

- Dance
- Gymnastics

Music

This term in Music we will be covering:

- Music Technology and the bands that used them
 - Beatles & Nihtin Sawney Focus
- Activism and Protest Songs and Influential Musicians





- This term the children will be learning to:
- Say different colours
 - Name animals
 - Say what they like and dislike
 - Learn about different sports in preparation for Sports Day.

Home Learning

This term our Home Learning will consist of:

- Reading daily
- Maths weekly on [Maths.co.uk](https://www.maths.co.uk)
- TT Rockstars twice per week
- Themed /Topic-based home-learning weekly

