

Our Local Area



Y5 Topic Overview:

For our first term of Year 5, our topic will involve studying the history and geography of our local area. We will study the UK with a focus on Redcar and the surrounding area including Captain Cook, Ironstone mining and the impact that the closure of the Steel Works had on our area. We will explore our local area and develop our skills in reading maps.

As a **GEOGRAPHER** our children will learn about their local area and the impact that human activities have on it. They will have the opportunity to explore maps and develop their understanding of why people visit different areas within the UK.

As a **HISTORIAN**, the children will be learning about their local area, studying Captain Cook, Local mining and the steel works.

WE ARE READERS!

In school, the children continue to be encouraged to read for pleasure, choosing books from the school library within a range suitable for their current abilities. The children also have dedicated time in school to access the 'Reading Plus' programme on iPads. **A reminder that this is something the children can enjoy from home too.**

This term, our Science focus is 'Forces'. As a **scientist**, the children will have the opportunity to carry out practical work to improve their understanding of friction and to learn about water and air resistance.

They will also explore gravity and the impact it has on every day life.

RE.

We will begin the term by exploring Christianity and their beliefs. We will continue to study Christianity and the incarnation.

As a **Musician**, the children will listen to, and perform songs, using their voices with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression. We will be using our scheme of work – Kapow!

As an **Artist**, the children will look closely at portraits. They will explore how a portrait can be developed and how to use different media to create an effect.

Design and Technology

We will be looking at adapting and designing recipes and making a Bolognese sauce for spaghetti.

PSHE

This term we will be using the Jigsaw Scheme of work and covering the topics; Being in my World followed by Celebrating Differences.

As a **MATHEMATICIAN**, the children will learn;
Place Value
Addition & Subtraction
Multiplication and Division
Fractions.
They will also practice arithmetic.

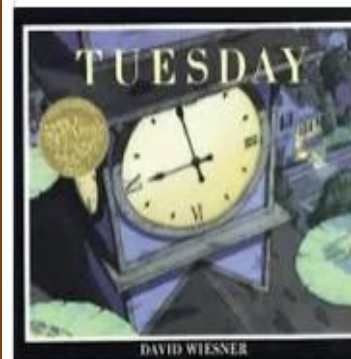
It is really important that the children have a solid understanding of multiplication tables. Please encourage your child to practice at home if there are some they are unsure of.

P.E. Friday

Please ensure your child has the correct indoor and outdoor PE kit in school at all times.

This consists of plain black/ dark coloured shorts or track suit bottoms. A plain white T-shirt and trainers.

As a **WRITER**, the children will be writing a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. They will be writing a description of a quest to slay a beast. They will be writing poetry and will also write a discussion to argue whether frogs are able to fly! This is work based on a picture book called Tuesday by David Wiesner. They will also be writing a story that will include speech and a persuasive letter based on the Charles Dickens classic – A Christmas Carol.



As a **Digital User**, we are thinking about systems and networks. We are going to be looking at how they work and how they help us in the wider world. We will be looking how different parts of the system need to work together in order for it to be as effective as possible.

In **French**, we will be focusing firstly on an introduction to 'my family'. Following this we will explore clothes for different occasions. The children will practice listening, speaking and writing in French.

