

Year 5 Learning Leaflet

English

The first English unit will be a non-fiction text based on a fantastical beast of our own creation. We will be writing a range of texts about our creatures including a description, origin story and a persuasive text.

Our second unit will be a poetry unit. We will explore a range of different poetry styles including cinquains, limerick and free verse poems. We will then use these to inspire our own free verse poems based on an insect.

Maths

This half term, we will be applying our knowledge of fractions to help us understand the link between fractions, decimals and percentages. We will order and compare numbers up to three decimal places and round to the nearest whole number and to one decimal place.

We will then move on to area and perimeter, recapping and securing our understanding from lower KS2.

The children's times tables knowledge will continue to be essential to their mathematical understanding so please remind and encourage your child to play TTRS on a regular basis.

Beast Creators

Welcome to the wonderful world of mini beasts and fantastical creatures.

This topic is Science led but we will be using books linked to animals to drive the children's learning in English and we are also using this topic as an impetus across the wider curriculum. There is also a strong geography element to this topic with particular focus on biomes.

As the warmer weather approaches, this would be a great time to get out and explore our local area, how many creatures can you spot? What are their habitats like?

Dates for the diary

5 Wilberforce Tropical World Visit—Friday 23rd February.

5 Pankhurst and 5 Churchill Tropical World Visit—Monday 26th February.

Topic showcase—Thursday 21st March

Break up for Easter—Friday 22nd March

Other subjects

RE - Did God intend Jesus to be crucified and if so was Jesus aware of this?

French: All about France.

Music - Continuing to explore listening, performing and composing using the 7 elements of music.

PE - Hockey and Dodgeball

Topic

Geography—We will be learning about the biomes and ecosystems in the UK. We will be planning and conducting fieldwork at a local woodland.

Art—We will be learning about the botanical paintings of Henri Rousseau. We will then move onto creating our own flower sculpture using wire and tissue paper.

Computing—We will be introducing the children to a microcontroller (Crumble) and learn how to connect and program components.

Science

We will be building on the children's understanding of life cycles, reproduction and animal characteristics.

We will be describing the differences in the life cycles of a mammal, an amphibian, an insect and a bird.

