

ENGLISH

The Boy at the Back of the Class



Told with humour and heart, The Boy at the Back of the Class offers a child's perspective on the refugee crisis, highlighting the importance of friendship and kindness in a world that doesn't always make sense.

Through careful study of our class text, children will write a newspaper, a letter, a character description and some dialogue between characters.

PSHE

Being Me in My World

In this unit, Year 5 will be looking at their year ahead. We will discuss how to face new challenges positively and know how to set personal goals, understand rights and responsibilities as a citizen of our country, explore choices in relation to personal behaviours and how rewards and consequences feel.



Miss Thompson

ART

Chinese Art

This term, our Art topic is 'Chinese Art'. We will focus on learning a variety of themes, styles and colours, replicating Chinese calligraphy and will also learn about the Terracotta Army. Children will discover the importance of brush strokes in Chinese art and will have the opportunity to re-create their own Ming Dynasty porcelain figure.



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MATHS

During this term, your child will practice their mathematical skills through concrete, pictorial, abstract and reasoning skills. We will work on understanding the place value of numbers with up to seven digits and will complete number sequences involving square numbers. We will apply our arithmetic skills to solve vertical maths stories involving 'tricky columns', multiplying $HTU \times U$, $TU \times TU$ using the short method of multiplication. In Geometry, we will focus on identifying properties of polygons, estimating and calculating area of regular and irregular shapes. We will apply our reasoning skills to one and two step problems involving $\times$, $-$, $+$ and $\div$.

RE

This half term, Year 5 will focus on the question "What does it mean if God is Holy and Loving?" Children will look at different types of biblical texts and will be able to make clear connections between Bible texts studied and what Christians believe about God. Year 5 will also look at how Christians put their beliefs into practice during their daily lives and at church. We will look at the features of cathedrals and churches and how they depict God's omnipotence and omniscience.

SPANISH

This term, the children will revise prior learning about how to greet people and how to introduce themselves. During this unit, the children will learn how to say which country they live in, give details about where they live and will verbalise opinions about where they live using cardinal directions.

HISTORY

Was the Anglo-Saxon Period Really a Dark Age?

In History, Year 5 will study the world of the Anglo-Saxons. They will consider why they came to Britain and will explore what archaeological evidence can tell us about the Anglo-Saxons. Children will exercise their historical enquiry skills and will learn how interpretations of evidence may be reached based on evidence discovered.

MUSIC

Livin' On A Prayer

Year 5 will be working on singing 'Livin' On A Prayer' by Bon Jovi. They will study elements of rhythm, pulse and tempo within this unit and will listen to other classical rock songs.



SCIENCE

Out of This World

Year 5's Science topic, this term is **Out of this World** where we will look at all things space! Children will explore Earth and other planets within the Solar System. During the upcoming weeks, the children will be encouraged to ask questions and use different types of scientific enquiries to answer them.

INFORMATION

Year 5 will have PE every **Monday and Thursday**. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kit and **remember to remove all jewellery before entering school on PE day.** Children's reading books will be changed regularly; therefore, it is vital that your child brings their book and reading records into school each day.
Welcome Meeting
Our Welcome to Year 5 meeting will be held at **3:30 on Thursday 11th September** in the hall.