

# Year 5 Spring Term Curriculum Overview

## English:

**Writing:** This term, we will be focusing our attention on Playscripts, Mystery and Suspense writing and Recounts through Magazine articles. Spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPAG) will be taught throughout the year, either within the above units or standalone where necessary.

**Reading:** Reading will take place daily in class in the form of independent or guided reading sessions, as well as whole class reading. Our whole-class text this term is 'Billionaire Boy'.

## PE:

P.E. will be covered by Jersey Sport with Mr Gilmour and will cover a range of both sports and activities, allowing for different skills, interests and abilities to be taught throughout the term. Our PE this term will be on a Wednesday and Friday in School.

## French:

This term in French, the children will be learning to describe themselves and others, saying numbers to 1000, using the verbs avoir (to have) and etre (to be), as well as reading and translating short French texts.

## Maths:

White Rose Maths will continue to drive our Maths teaching and learning in Year 5. The children will also continue to have the opportunity to solve a variety of reasoning problems in their Maths Journals which is extremely important for their problem-solving skills, reasoning and resilience. This term, our focus will be on multiplication, division, and fractions. After half-term, we will focus on decimals, percentages, perimeter, area and statistics. Mental Maths will be taught alongside this, with an emphasis placed on times tables 2-12. These times tables must be learnt as quickly as possible as this is a daily homework.

## Humanities and PSHE:

Throughout this Spring term, our Humanities focus will be based on RE – this will rotate with Geography being the main focus during the Summer term. Our religious focus for this term is initially having Neil in from St Paul's Church to do some work with us during the first half term on the New Testament which we are very excited about. Then we will move on to 'Why do Hindus try to be good?' and then 'What do Christians believe Jesus did to 'save' people?'

Our PSHE focus this half-term is 'Keeping Safe'. After half-term, the focus moves to 'Rights and Respect.'

## Science:

Our topic in Science this term is 'Properties of Materials'. Here, the children will get the opportunity to carry out several investigations, pupil-led where possible, involving different materials and discovering changes of state. We will make links to this where possible in other subjects, however it will certainly link with Writing as the children will be required to write up their experiments when they do them.

This particular focus allows the children to cover the Year 5 unit of 'Working Scientifically' as they will be required to carry out objectives such as making a test fair and analysing different hypotheses. It should certainly be a fun (and messy) area of study!

## Homework:

**Reading:** Children are expected to read at home for 30 minutes a day. This can be from a book at home, or from a text chosen at school. New half termly AR targets have been set so AR quizzes must be completed at least once a week or once a fortnight for longer chapter books.

**Writing:** One piece of writing homework will be given out on Mondays with a Challenge on it for the children to try and include within their writing.

**Maths:** Maths homework is Doodle Maths for 10minutes per day which will be checked on Fridays.

**Spelling:** New spellings will be given out on Mondays and tested the following Monday.

If you have any queries or questions then please do email me on: [j.linney@springfield.sch.je](mailto:j.linney@springfield.sch.je)