



Class 5: Autumn 1



Dear Parents,

Here are some of the activities we will be covering this half-term. This overview does not include everything that we will be doing, but hopefully it will give you an insight into some of the learning which will be taking place in our classroom.

<p><u>English</u></p> <p>This year, we will be using a range of texts to support our writing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Witches (Roald Dahl) – We will be writing character descriptions, narratives and newspaper recounts using <i>The Witches</i> as inspiration.● The Scarecrow and the Servant (Phillip Pullman) – We will be writing our own adventure stories based on this story.● Throughout the term, we will also be focusing on our basic punctuation (full stops, capital letters, question marks and exclamation marks). We will also be having a focus on inverted commas (speech marks) and commas for clauses.	<p><u>Mathematics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Place value – Knowing the value of digits in 4, 5 and 6-digit numbers, comparing and ordering numbers and rounding.● Addition and Subtraction – We will be building confidence in using the column method to add and subtract more complex numbers and problems, including questions based on decimals and money.● Multiplication and Division – We will develop knowledge of multiples, factors and prime numbers. We will also be developing our written methods so we can calculate larger numbers.	
<p><u>PSHE / RE</u></p> <p>PSHE Living in the wider world We will be looking at shared responsibilities, protecting the environment and having compassion towards others to develop an understanding of how to belong to a community.</p> <p>RE What do we know about the Bible and why is it important to Christians? This year children will be focusing on Judaism as well as Christianity. We will be starting our understanding of Christianity by developing our understanding of the Bible.</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>Does the Earth move in space? – We will be exploring our solar system including understanding the relative sizes of the Earth, Sun and Moon and how they move in relation to each other. We will also be investigating the phases of the moon and what causes day and night and the seasons.</p>	<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Word Processing We will be developing the skill of creating and saving shared documents. We will also be developing our skills of word processing, such as using keyboard shortcuts and split screen as well as editing work. We will be learning which software package is appropriate and most effective for certain purposes.</p>
<p><u>History</u></p> <p>The Romans: How did the invasion of the Roman army affect Britain? This half term we will be exploring what an empire is before looking in detail at the impact the Roman Army had on Britain. We will be investigating the impact of the Roman Empire through their achievements, their impact on society, housing and religion. We will then be making our own conclusions about whether the Romans really did have an impact on Roman Britain.</p>		<p><u>DT</u></p> <p>Biscuits In DT, we will be focusing on making biscuits designed for Halloween. We will be tasting different biscuits, researching recipes and making our own biscuits.</p>
<p><u>PE</u></p> <p>OAA –As part of our Outdoor Adventures unit, children will be developing their problem solving and team work skills.</p> <p>Games –This term we will also be working on skills linked to the sport of Netball.</p> <p><i>*Note: children should make sure their PE kits are in school every day as we may take advantage of the drier days for PE across Autumn term.</i></p>		
<p><u>French</u></p> <p>Phonics - Children will develop their understanding of French pronunciation and spelling to help them access the rest of the units across the year.</p>		
<p><u>Note:</u> Remember, you can quiz on books that you have on your own bookshelf at home if they are on your Accelerator Reader level. To check which level books are on go to www.arbookfind.co.uk.</p>		