



Class 5 - Spring 2



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 style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <p>We will be using Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce as a stimulus for writing this half term. This will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informal letter writing – writing in the role of the character of Tom. • Recount in the form of a letter – description of the discovery of the garden. • Adventure story – To write our own adventure stories based on our own gardens. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Mathematics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decimals – We will be continuing our understand of decimals including rounding decimals and ordering and comparing decimals. • Percentages – We will be exploring decimal and fraction equivalents. • Decimal calculations – We will be revisiting the different calculations but involving decimals e.g. adding and subtracting decimals and multiplying decimals by 10, 100 and 1,000. • Problem solving – Our Problem Solving Friday lessons will be based on working backwards and systematically to reach an answer this half term. 	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PSHE / RE</u></p> <p>PSHE - Relationships This term we will be looking at how to manage friendships and peer influence. We'll also be looking at recognising risks online.</p> <p>RE - Why is Lent such an important period for Christians? We will be investigating why Lent is a time of preparation for Christians, how Jesus was tempted and the temptations we face today. We will end the unit by thinking about why Christians keep Lent today.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Science</u></p> <p>How can materials be changed, mixed and separated? We will be developing our understanding of materials looking at conductors and insulators, solubility, and how to separate solids, liquids and gases. They will also be developing an understanding of reversible and irreversible changes.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Spreadsheets This half term children will be introduced to spreadsheets and excel. They will be creating formula and producing tables based on given data and data which they will collect themselves.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Geography</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">What shapes my world?</p> <p>We'll be looking into why the land around the planet is of so many different shapes. This will include investigating how ice and rivers have changed the landscape and the role of tectonic plates. We will also be looking at whether human activity affects land too.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Art</u></p> <p>Beautiful Durham – Landscapes We will be investigating the work of Urban Sketcher Ch'ng Kiah Kian and how he captures landscapes in its current time frame. We will be taking photographs of Wolsingham streets and recreating them using Kian's work as inspiration.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>French</u></p> <p>Chez Moi (My Home) – We will be developing our vocabulary linked to where we live and the rooms inside of our house. We will be able to verbally say which rooms we have and do not have.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PE</u></p> <p>Dance –Class 5 will be working on a dance routine with the theme of 'Masquerade' on Mondays.</p> <p>Swimming –On Tuesday afternoons, Class 5 will continue to go swimming. Please ensure that children have the appropriate kit and towel for the session each week.</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 Spring term..</i></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>		