

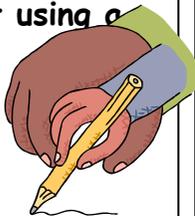
Topic

We will begin this half term with a week of Citizenship, this time will be used to focus on the ambitions and future aspirations of your child. Have you thought about the type of job you may like as an adult? What skills would you need to have to enable you to do your chosen career? Is there anything you feel you could improve on from last year? What are your personal targets for this year?

Following citizenship week we will be focussing the rest of the half term on Earth and Space. We will be exploring the universe and developing our understanding of our galaxy and solar system.

In our Science sessions, we will be looking at the movement of celestial objects and how these are relative to Earth. We will plan scientific enquiries to answer questions and record data we collect using a range of scientific diagrams and tables.

Do you know the name of the planets in our solar system? Can you think of a mnemonic to help you to remember their order?



Reminders!

Please keep PE kit at school all week - sometimes we do PE on different days.

Please bring a coat and water bottle everyday.

A little book of things to work on at home

Year 5



Name.....

Mathematics

In maths this half term we are learning about place value and will be practising formal written methods for addition and subtraction. We will introduce these with concrete resources. Examples will be included in the maths homework book when it is sent home.

Please encourage multiplication as much as possible. Children need to know their times tables from 1 - 12 fluently. They will take part in a weekly times table Olympic challenge and will receive certificates as they move through the Olympic stages.

Telling the time is a key skill for children and we would appreciate if you could use opportunities to discuss the time and ask children to tell the time in everyday situations.

Mymaths homework will be set every week.



English

In English this half term we will be writing a newspaper report from the first moon landing in 1969. We will be focusing on the features of this style of writing and use these to write our own article.

We will also be reading, writing and performing our own space poetry. If you can find a poem that links to our topic, please feel free to bring a copy in to share with the rest of the class.

Reading

Please ensure you bring your book to school every day. It is important that children experience a wide range of texts. Please try to read to your child as often as possible even when they are fluent readers. Have you read a diary? An instruction text? An explanation text? Please make sure you read fiction and non-fiction both at home and school.

ICT based learning

We will be learning how to use a range of search technologies effectively, examining and investigating results found and evaluating web pages based on our search criteria. Practise using a variety of search engines at home, which do you think is the most effective?

