



Year 5 Newsletter

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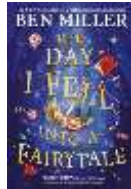
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Welcome to our autumn newsletter!

We want to share with you some of the fantastic things we will be getting up to in Year 5 in the academy this term.

Year 5 English

This half term, the children will be writing their own twisted fairy tales. If you have any access to some fairy tales, the more the children are familiar with them, the easier they will find their writing tasks. In school, the children will be reading 'The Day I Fell into a Fairy tale' by Ben Miller.



As the children are learning about Ancient Egypt, they will then also be writing an explanation text about this time. If time, a visit to RSPB Saltholme will support the children with their upcoming rivers topic that they will be writing a persuasive piece about. All of the children's reading in school will also support these topics.

Year 5 Science

In science, the children will be covering the life processes of plants and animals. To aid their learning, you could take the children out on a walk in nature to see if they can see any of these life processes in action! Later in the half term, the children will be covering the life cycles of a human from birth to old age. The children are often curious about the different stages of life and this topic can prompt questions at home from the children.

Year 5 Homework

On a Friday, the children are expected to bring in their homework packs which consist of their spelling books, times table books and reading records. Each week, the children will write their spelling words in one side of the spelling book and be tested in the other. The children do not need to practice their spellings into the spelling book but could instead recite them to an adult or write them out on some paper when practicing at home. It is up to the children how they use their times table books. As the children move through the different times tables, they could choose to focus on one particular times table a week, or complete a page a night etc. As last year, if the children read a book (from home or school) four times, then they will receive a golden ticket. If they bring all three books back in their homework packs on a Friday, they will receive a homework token for each book and this will then be put in a raffle for a prize on a Friday.

Year 5 Maths

To start the year, the children will be recapping place value by reading, writing, ordering and comparing numbers up to one million. The children will also be recapping the four written methods. Practising column addition/ subtraction, the bus stop method and short multiplication will help the children with their learning this half term. Later in the half term, the children will be covering geometry and measure.

Year 5 Wider Curriculum

In Geography, the children will be learning all about rivers and basins. A visit to the Tees Barrage would be a good way to start the children thinking about the local area around rivers and why people build there. In History, the children will be covering the Ancient Egyptians. BBC Bitesize has lots of good resources if the children want to continue their curiosity at home. Horrible Histories have also created lots of fun and appropriate videos about the Egyptians that the children can access and find online. In R.E. the children will be learning about the different theories about creation across the religions. In Music, the children will be using Garage band to create melodies. If the children have access to a tablet at home, any opportunities to practice using Garage band at home would help them with their learning. In Art, the children will be learning about Andy Goldsworthy and his sculptures.

Year 5 Other information

PE day, any trips/experiences planned, dates to remember etc
Year 5 are taking part in an art workshop on the 14th September with a visiting artist.

On Wednesday 12th October, Year 5 will be going on a Teesport Explorers visit as part of Maritime UK week. Details to follow.