

Year 5

Summer Term 2024



Our topic for this Summer term, is 'The Tudors'. The topic is full of exciting facts and shocking events that the children are already astounded by and it's been lovely to see their enthusiasm for learning return so quickly.

We will be learning all about the start of the Tudor reign with Henry VII at The Battle of Bosworth and quickly moving on to the famous Henry VIII with his six wives. The children will find out all about how the Tudors changed England over this time, with their extravagant attitude and their keenness to 'chop people's heads off' which the children all enjoy finding out about! They will develop their history skills whilst finding out about Mary I and finally ending with Elizabeth I.

We will continue learning about the Tudors, linking this topic to other subjects in our curriculum.

In art, the children will be developing their drawing skills whilst learning how to draw portraits (just like those that were popular in Tudor times). Our science lessons will centre around reproduction in plants and leading on to changing materials. R.E will continue to be taught across the term with a focus of Christianity, learning about churches today and how Henry VIII was quick to change the church. For ICT, the children will be using Word and Purple Mash for design and modelling.

Our writing in English will also be linked to our Tudor theme. We will be writing newspaper reports linked to different events and then write portal stories where our characters will travel back in time. Through all of this writing, we will continue to improve our grammar and sentence structure skills. In addition, we will continue to work on our reading skills of inference and deduction as well as learning new vocabulary and improving our reading fluency. Each class will have a class book they are focusing on and discussing in detail. Please continue to encourage your child to read at home as much as possible.

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Our maths lessons this term will have focus on statistics, shape and decimals, along with continuing our understanding of number. After this, we will then learn about shapes and angles. We will ensure that all children are confident in using formal methods to calculate with the four operations and also have a good grasp of mathematical vocabulary for problem solving.

You can continue to support your child by engaging them in every day maths situations including telling the time, handling money and reading measures. It is also important your child continue to learn the times tables up to the twelve times table, and can use them for division facts e.g. $45 \div 9 = 5$. Please encourage your children to learn their times tables as frequently as possible. The children also have access to Times Table Rock Stars where we often have tournaments against other classes taking place.

PE lessons: Children need to come to school in their kits (tracksuits/shorts, T shirt and their school sweatshirt/cardigans.

- 5B – Tuesday and Friday
- 5EM – Thursday and Friday
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The Year 5 teachers and LSAs would like to thank you for your continued support during this year. It is our final term in year 5 and we will do whatever we can to make sure the children enjoy their time before moving up to year 6. Please remember, if you have any questions or queries, feel free to contact your child's class teacher through Class Dojo or a phone call to our school office.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bromley, Mr Emms, Mrs Finbow-Jeffery and Mrs Moss

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