

# Curriculum News

## Class 5P - Spring 2023



## Reminders

- PE is every Friday for 5P. Please can children bring a pair of trainers to remain in school for PE.
- Reading books and records should be brought into school every day. We ask that children please read with an adult at least three times a week.
- Spellings will go out on a Monday to be practised for a test on Friday.
- Homework will go out on a Thursday (on paper).
- As well as that, children can also complete some extra work on Reading Plus, Lexia and TT Rockstars for extra team points!
- Children are welcome to complete homework on a Monday breaktime if they have found anything difficult, with staff available to support.

## The Storming Normans!

### Our history topic for this half term

For Year 5, our history unit is all about the the Normans. We will explore who they were, where they came from and their impact on the local area and wider nation, including the famous Battle of Hastings which took place in 1066!

We will also be learning about the Normans across other parts of the curriculum. For example, in DT, we are taking some inspiration from the Normans and building our own catapults! This will also allow us to apply our science knowledge about forces and mechanisms.

### Our class text

*'Every adventure requires a first step...'*

After a tumble down the rabbit hole, Alice finds herself far away from home in the absurd world of Wonderland. As mind-bending as it is delightful, Lewis Carroll's 1865 novel is pure magic for young and old alike!

We have been using this story as a basis for our setting descriptions and diary entry writing.

*This term, we are reading 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland' by Lewis Carroll.*



## PSHCE/Thrive

We are building on last term's work on friendships by exploring what bullying is and how we can deal with this. This will help us to distinguish between different forms of hurtful behaviour and ensure we are being kind to one another, as well as offering advice on what to do if someone is being bullied. These themes will be picked up in our Tuesday Thrive sessions too alongside our weekly Thrive activities.



## Best bits of Year 5!

*"I think the maths lessons are the best because I find it really easy to remember what we have been learning!"* Amelia H.W.

*"English has been really good. My reading is getting better and better!"* Calvin D.

Article 17 | Children have the right to information that is important to wellness.

## Favourite topic this term?

*"I am really enjoying learning about fractions in maths. I can't wait to learn more!"* Billy A.

*"I love gymnastics and French and would like to do more of that this term!"* Lucy D.

*"Our history topic is interesting as we are learning about lots of different people."* Mason M.



## Maths

This term we are covering the following units:

- Fractions
- Decimals
- Percentages
- Position and Movement

We will also continue to work on our times tables using TT Rockstars. Children can access this wonderful resource at home and in school.

Article 3 | Adults should think about how their decisions affect children.

## Foundation lessons

- The French topic we will cover is all about the weather. The children will practise both speaking and writing in French and will even record their own weather report!
- In Music, we will begin by exploring some more pop music before moving onto rap!
- RE this term explores Christians' various beliefs about God as well as a focus on the Easter Story, as we approach the Easter holidays.

## Things to look forward to!

*"I hope we get to do even more games on the program 'Scratch' in computing lessons!"* Lucas B.

*"I'm really looking forward to our next few French lessons and learning more about the weather!"* Mikel W.

*"I am looking forward to talking about the weather in French, too!"*

Jasmine B.