Cheetwood Community Primary School

Year 5: Curriculum News - Spring Term 1 2022

Class Teacher: Mr Hardy Teaching Assistant: Mrs Rogerson

In Y5 this half term your child will be learning the following:

English

Areas of Study: reports and blogs: travel writing, T.S, Elliot, Old Possum’s Book of Practical Cats- Poetry on a theme; Faraway Places- Stories on a Theme, The Man who Walked Between the Towers- narrative writing, grammar and punctuation, spellings and speaking and listening

How you can support your child:

* Encourage your child to read a range of texts, including travel report and blogs, poetry, fiction and non-fiction stories.
* Look at poetic features and language
* Talk to your child about their reading book and complete book activities such as book reviews and character descriptions
* Encourage your child to do independent writing such as story writing, recounts and descriptions
* Test your child on their half termly spellings
* Go through Big Talk home learning ready to complete Big Write on Monday

Maths

Areas of Study: Number – written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Problem solving – multi step, number and place value and fractions.

How you can support your child:

* Practise mental maths skills at home regularly, particularly times tables and division facts
* Go through homework
* Practise written methods for column addition and subtraction, short and long multiplication and division.
* Recap and learn more about equivalent fractions, fractions greater than 1, improper fractions and mixed numbers and number sequences

Science – Earth and Space

Areas of Study:

* Planning different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary
* Reporting and presenting findings from enquiries, including conclusions, causal relationships and explanations of and degree of trust in results, in oral and written forms such as displays and other presentations
* Astronomy-related terminology
* Researching major celestial features; understanding the life of stars.
* Understanding how and when major astronomical theories and discoveries were made
* Understanding the movement of the Sun, the Earth and the Moon relative to each other
* Understanding the order and relative size of the planets, Sun, Earth and Moon
* Understanding why we have day and night
* Understanding time zones
* Understanding why we have seasons
* Understanding the phases of the moon
* Understanding how and why a solar eclipse and a lunar eclipse happen

How you can support your child:

* Research the above areas of study with your child

Geography topic – Investigating Rivers

Pupils will gain a thorough knowledge of the physical and human geography of specific rivers around the world. They will be taught to compare peoples and places, looking at the similarities and differences between where they live and the other locations. Pupils will apply knowledge gained from research to practical tasks such as model making, drama, artwork and dance.

Areas of Study

* To understand and explain the water cycle.
* To find out about rivers and how they erode, transport and deposit materials.
* To find out why rivers are important.
* To find out about the causes of river pollution and the effect it has on the environment.
* To investigate a river in detail including the effects on the environment and landscape.
* To be able to conduct a geographical enquiry.

How you can support your child:

* Research the above areas of study with your child

PE

Pupils will be doing PE on the following day:

MONDAY

Please send your child in full PE kit on this day. They do not need to wear school uniform

*As pupils are not permitted to wear any jewellery for PE, it helps if earrings and other jewellery are not worn to school on the day we do PE.*

Homework

Each week your child will be given:

* A piece of maths and reading homework handed out on Thursday to be handed in the following Monday.
* Big Talk homework to prepare for Big Write every Monday.
* A set of spellings to be learnt each half term. Please practise these with your child.
* Work will also be set on Google Classroom. Mr Hardy will tell children when work is available on Google Classroom.

Please encourage your child to read three times a week and ensure you sign their reading diary.

Useful websites

[www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk)

The BBC site has a schools area with lots of games and learning resources for English and maths

[www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk](http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk)

<http://www.mad4maths.com/parents/>

[http://www.topmarks.co.uk/parents/helping-with-homework](http://www.topmarks.co.uk/parents/helping-with-homework%20)

<http://www.compare4kids.co.uk>

https://www.khanacademy.org/math/arithmetic-home/

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/239784/English\_Append ix\_1\_-\_Spelling.pdf Spelling lists Year 5 and 6

https://uk.ixl.com/ maths and grammar practise all year groups

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2>

https://classroom.thenational.academy/year-groups/year-5

We also have links on our own website and will be developing these throughout the year.

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