




Year Five Newsletter: Summer 2 2025

Welcome back to our final half term of learning here in Year Five.

We have a very exciting summer term planned in Year Five: we will continue to study the Victorians in our topic, *Vile or Virtuous* with our trip to Kirkstall Abbey House museum. We will also be starting a geography unit focused upon the oceans and how we use them. The children will have the opportunity to show their creativity in DT when designing and making our own soft toys and we cannot forget the exciting trip to Stockeld Park.

If you do have any questions, please speak to us in person or email us at office@saltaireps.co.uk.

With our best regards, The Year Five team

| Our Learning Theme: | | Important Dates: | |
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| <p>Victorians: Vile or Virtuous?</p>  | | <p>Friday 13th June -Sketching at the nature reserve. Friday 20th June - Year 5 Victorian Assembly Saturday 21st June - FOSPS Summer Fair 12-3pm Tuesday 24th June - Whole School Trip to Stockeld Park Tuesday 8th July -Year Five Kirkstall Abbey House Museum trip Tuesday 1st July - Year 5 French Cafe Monday 7th July - Sports Day</p> | |
| Homework | | PE Days | |
| <p>Homework and spellings will be set on Thursdays. This half term, the spellings will mainly focus upon homophones and common exception words.</p> <p>Please ensure maths homework is completed and returned to class each week.</p> | | <p>Monday-Dance(indoor) Wednesday-Rounders(outdoor)</p> <p>Please ensure your child wears appropriate PE clothes, in line with the school uniform policy.</p> | |
| Curriculum | | | |
| English | Maths | Science | |
| <p>In English this half term we will be creating some fiction stories based on the short film - <i>The Present</i> - by Jacob Frey. We will then move on to producing some balanced arguments in which the children will be able to explore the evidence for whether the Victorians were vile or virtuous.</p> | <p>In maths we will be covering decimals (using the four operations), negative numbers, converting units and volume.</p> <p>Please continue to log on to TT Rockstars at home or any other activities that strengthen your child's mathematical knowledge.</p> | <p>This half term we will be continuing our study of reversible and irreversible changes, and will move on to look at sustainability and plastic pollution.</p> <p>The children will be working scientifically to put their predictions to the test, then making conclusions using the evidence they collect.</p> | |
| Humanities | Computing | Art | |
| <p>This half term we will be continuing with the Victorians; this takes on a local history focus, examining Titus Salt and his Saltaire legacy.</p> | <p>Children will be looking at programming. They will understand algorithms and then construct programs using the Scratch programming environment.</p> <p>They will use their knowledge of writing programs and using selection to control outcomes, to design a quiz in response to a given task and implement it as a program.</p> | <p>In art we will be working with our Artist in Residence - Sharon Snaylam. The children will be visiting the Saltaire Nature Reserve and be learning about Victorian artist William Morris.</p> | |
| Elsewhere in the curriculum... | | SPS University | Year Five Team |
| <p>In French with Madame Thakker, we will be continuing our learning about making healthy food choices, comparing French and British food habits and sampling a French breakfast.</p> <p>In music, we will be listening to and appraising music from a range of composers and artists, the children will then be drawing comparisons and using the vocabulary learnt throughout the year to present their favoured pieces to the class. We will also be improvising, composing and performing our own songs with instrumental accompaniment.</p> <p>In PSHE, we will be learning more about how we grow and change as we get older. If you would like any more information about the themes we cover, please do get in touch.</p> | | <p>This half term:</p> <p>Skateboarding Theatre School</p> | <p>Miss Hayden - Hawking class teacher Mr Hurtault - Curie Class teacher Miss Nicoll - LSA Miss Taylor - LSA</p> |