

Year Five Newsletter: Spring 2 2024

Welcome back to a new half term of learning here in Year Five. This half term, we are moving on from The Ancient Maya and through art and DT will be exploring North and South America.

We are also excited to be working with our Artist in Residence - Sharon. Each week, we will have a full morning of art where we will explore a range of famous artists including Georgia O'Keeffe, Mondrian and the collage work of Eileen Agar and Elena Nosyreva

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

With our best regards, The Year Five team			
Our Learning Theme: America Art and foods	Important Dates:		
The Amazing Americas	20th February Young Voices Concert Sheffield 29th February Young Voices Concert(in School) 8th March Celebration Assembly 15th March Comic Relief 19th and 20th March Parent Consultations		
Homework	PE Days		
This half term, spellings and homework will be given out on a Thursday and should be returned to school the following Thursday for marking.	This half term PE will take place on Monday and Tuesday. On Mondays the children will be doing badminton, where they will develop their serving techniques, their footwork and positioning as well as the tactics required in both singles and doubles games. On Tuesday's, the children will do athletics. In these lessons, the children will		
Oracy We will be developing our presentational oracy skills in science by planning and	develop their baton exchange technique used in relay races, take part in events where they need to run for speed and for distance, and practise different types of throwing and jumping.		
presenting an explanation for a younger audience.	Please send your child/children in the appropriate kit (no football kits) on Mondays and Tuesdays according to the school dress code.		
In geography we will debate the accuracy and validity of different sources when learning about a new place.			
	Curriculum		
In English we will be enjoying sharing the film clip One Small Step. We will then be writing our own adventure story from a particular character's perspective. Later in the half term, we will be sharpening our poetry skills by learning the structure of poems then reciting and performing poems of our own.	In maths we will continue to look at fractions of amounts and use fractions as an operation. We will then move on to explore decimals and percentages Please continue to log on to TT Rockstars at home or any other activities that strengthen your child's mathematical knowledge.	In science we will be completing our unit on materials and their properties and will then progress to look at animals including humans. In this unit we will cover the human life cycle, adolescence and puberty, and will compare different life cycles.	
Humanities	Computing	Art and Design Technology	
In geography we will be exploring the Alps. We will be extending our map skills whilst becoming familiar with its human and physical features and drawing comparisons between the Alps and our local area.	In computing, we will complete our Computer Science unit, which includes many aspects such as coding, variables, inputs and outputs and networks.	In DT we will be learning about the journey our food goes on from field to fork. We will also be looking at some traditional recipes and will adapt and make our own version of famous North and South American dishes.	



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		In art we will be making mixed media work using relief collage, paint and graphite, we will be exploring visual vocabulary connected to colour, and texture.
Elsewhere in the curriculum		Year Five Team
In French with Madame Thakker, we will explore how to keep fit and be		Miss Hayden - Hawking class teacher
healthy as well as foods we like and dislike.		Mr Ahmed - Curie class teacher
In RE, we will be exploring the concepts of forgiveness and reconciliation.		Mr Hutchinson - Hawking LSA Miss Taylor - Curie LSA Mrs James - Curie LSA
In Personal Development, we will be exploring the themes of rights and respect. We will also focus on the concept of money: spending, budgeting, financing and consumerism.		