



Year 5 Summer 2 Newsletter 2023

Meet the Team

5A class teacher - Ms Morgan
5B class teacher – Mrs Akhtar
Mr McCarthy/Mrs Johnston
Y5 teaching assistant team –
Miss Cohen, Mr Heap, Mrs Choudry



Topic Overview & Key Text



This term we will continue to use a text-based approach to our literacy and topic lessons.

The first book that will lead our learning is **Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens**.

Oliver Twist is the story of a young orphan who endures a miserable existence in a workhouse and then is placed with an undertaker. He is not given enough to eat and has to battle a rather tough childhood. He escapes from that dreadful palace of miseries and travels to London where he meets the Artful Dodger, leader of a gang of juvenile pickpockets.



The children will also read 'Children in Victorian Times' and find out about Dr Barnardo, who was the founder of homes for poor and deprived children.

There will be a focus on Victorians era, including the Industrial Revolution in Manchester.

Writing

Focussing on the lead text about a young orphan boy in Victorian times, the children will learn more about narrative writing including action, dialogue, atmosphere and suspense. They will learn how to structure this fiction text by reading model texts and annotating them. They will learn about the feature keys for narrative writing including: use of description, expanded noun phrases and interesting vocabulary.

Maths

This term we will be continuing our Early Bird maths sessions focusing on arithmetic. Our daily lessons will focus on: properties of shape, measurement and converting measurements. We will also continue developing arithmetic skills in and problem-solving challenges in preparation for year 6.

Reading

Alongside the key text, we will focus on other texts linked to the topic in our daily reading lessons. The children will have a scheme reading book pitched at their own level and will have opportunities to choose their own Reading for Pleasure books to share at home.

Homework

Homework will be set online (Seesaw) on a Friday and must be completed by the next Thursday. It will include spellings and maths. Spellings will be tested on a Wednesday. Every child is also expected to read for at least 20 minutes each day at home. Please read with your child and make a comment in their reading record.

Year 5

We will be continuing with our thematic curriculum that creates meaningful links between the children's learning in English, science, humanities and creative arts with our key text as the main driver.

RE: Children will continue to explore the question: What does it mean to be a Sikh in Britain today?

Science: Properties and changes of materials
Link scientist: John Dalton

DT: Making traditional Victorian gingerbread
Link expert: Mary Berry

History: Victorian Britain (Manchester focus)

PSHE: Relationships and health education



Year 5 Dates & Routines

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
		Spelling test	PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings; a plain PE top; a pair of trainers Homework completed	Homework set (on Seesaw)

Y5 Sports Day: Monday 26th June – at St Chrysostom's School

5A Central Library Visit: Friday 23rd June

5B Central Library Visit: Tuesday 27th June

Summer Term 2

Monday 5th June 2023

Thursday 20th July 2023

School re-opens at 8:40am

School closes at 3:15