



Year 5 Autumn 1 Newsletter 2020

Meet the Team

5A class teacher Miss Robinson
5B class teacher – Ms Morgan
5C class teacher – Mrs Ahktar
PPA/cover teacher – Miss Bauldry
Y5 teaching assistant team - Mr Ansboro,
Miss Appleby, Mrs Exley, Mrs Farajallah



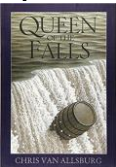
Returning to School

Our classrooms have been set up to keep the children as safe as possible. The tables are all facing the same way and each child has their own individual set of equipment. We will be working on a 'return to school' curriculum for the first week and children will be helped to settle back in.

Y5 will be part of a 'bubble' so reducing the amount of contact with other people in school. They will use the Y5/Y2 doors to enter and leave the school building.

For the first half term, we will not be holding after-school clubs or trips and visits.

Topic Overview & Key Text



Queen of the Falls:

A childhood visit to the powerful and thundering word of Niagara Falls, inspires underdog Annie Edson Taylor to attempt a brave, but foolhardy challenge in order to achieve her goal of fame and fortune. In this topic, children learn from the stories of other fearless trail blazers and develop aspirations of their own along the way. They take a journey through Canada and North America and find how these countries differ to the United Kingdom. The children will look at their own aspirations and what it takes to achieve these in light of the achievements of Annie Taylor. The children will also learn about the history of etiquette and longstanding values that underpin our Respect Rules.

Maths

This half term, the children will begin by understanding the importance of place value and number. They will be comparing and ordering numbers up to 1,000,000. They will also be rounding numbers to the nearest 10, 100 & 1000 alongside negative numbers and solving problems related to these.

The children will be adding and subtracting numbers that have 4 or more digits using the formal written method as well as further developing their range of mental strategies.

Writing

We will be learning how to write a series of diary entries – based on Annie Edson Taylor's daredevil stunt at Niagara Falls. The children will write from the point of view of the main character.

The children will learn how to incorporate various grammatical features into their writing that includes relative clauses, expanded noun phrases and how to write from various different perspectives.

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 and returned on Mondays. We will be using Seesaw for homework and it will include spellings and maths. 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.

Other information

Computing: Year 5 will be having specific computing lessons for 3 half terms to Spring 2.

Music: Year 5 will have African drumming sessions for the next 3 half terms to Summer 2.

PE: Year 5 will have PE on Wednesdays. Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit in a named bag.



**Year 5
Dates & Routines**

School opens for all pupils on Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Homework (spellings and maths set and tested the following Monday)	Computing in school	PE – please bring correct kit: black shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings; a plain PE top; a pair of trainers 		Golden Time – 20 minutes of free choice time for children who have stayed green all week

School closes for half term on Friday 23rd October.