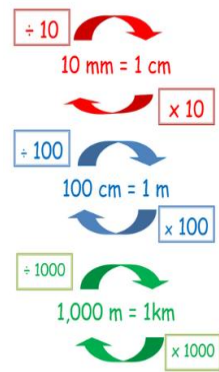


During this term, Year 5 will be studying a wide range of subjects. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> is a useful website for all topics across the range of subjects.

Mathematics: In maths this term, children will be learning a range of skills around number, the four operations, geometry, measure and statistics. At home, they could apply their understanding of multiplying and dividing numbers by 10, 100 and 1000 to convert units of measure. Please ensure children have retained a rapid recall of **all multiplication facts**. They can practise these on **Times Table Rock Stars**.



English: In writing sessions, children will be applying learned techniques to write an adventure sort based on the text '**Gorilla by Anthony Browne.**' It would be useful for your child to understand when to start a new paragraph in their writing. They can use 'TipTop' to help!



Science: Class 5 will be developing their investigative skills by following lines of enquiry. In their **Forces** topic, they will be developing their skills as a physicist by learning to identify different forces and the impact they have on an objects shape, speed or direction of movement. It would be useful for children to explore this website to consolidate their understanding of the different forces: www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znmnm39. Later in the term, in physics, they will learn about **Earth and Space**. They will learn about the relative size and shape of spherical bodies and how the Earth and Moon move in relation to the Sun. You may want to create a 'moon diary' at home to observe how the moon appears to change shape over a month.

Class 5



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History: In History, children will learn about the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for power. They will learn about who they Vikings were, why they invaded Britain and about what life was like in Viking Britain. They will also learn about the battle for power that the Vikings had with the Anglo-Saxons. Can you find out when the Vikings invaded Britain?

Geography: As geographers, your child will be learning about the 'invisible lines' that cover the earth. They will discover the significance of lines of longitude and latitude and how a country's position in relation to these lines can affect weather, landscape, daylight hours and which time zone it belongs to.

Art: We will be designing and creating a textile composition that will tell the story of Class 5. Children will be learning different ways in which fabrics can be joined and embroidered to add detail. During our drawing topic we will be developing and extending ideas in a sketchbook, using a choice of techniques to show movement, perspective, shadows and reflection. At home you could encourage your child to sketch people or objects looking closely at the shapes, sizes and shadows. **Andy Warhol** is our class artist. The children's Learning Journals have more facts about him.

French: Children will continue to receive French lessons from Madame Turner this term. They will be learning different greetings and how to share information about themselves, such as who is in their family. They will learn how to describe features of a person and say what they are like.

PE: Children will have PE lessons weekly, on a Thursday and Friday. This half term they will be focusing on **Tag Rugby**. **Please ensure children arrive to school in kit on Thursday and Friday - PE forms a part of the school curriculum.** Long hair should be tied back; bracelets, earrings and rings should not be worn for health and safety reasons.

Music: In our music lessons, Class 5 will be learning to read musical notation, play the recorder and perform individually and as a group. They will be taught by Mrs Gullick, a professional music teacher from Dudley Performing Arts.

RE: Children will be learning about meanings and messages, or lessons, that can be learnt from the Christian story of Adam and Eve. They will look at different types of rules and consequences told through the story. The topic will culminate in a comparison of viewpoints on the messages of the story and its relevance today.

Design and Technology: In Design and Technology our first unit will be food! We will explore what makes up a healthy and varied diet. Children will carry out a taste test and then each child will have a go at making a bread product and evaluating the final outcome.

PSHE: Our focus this term is 'Being Me'. We will explore what it means to have rights and responsibilities. Children will learn skills to face challenges in a positive manner and will develop an understanding of the effects that our choices have on us and others, including the world around us.

Computing: This term, children will be using a range of programs on Purple Mash to learn **coding** and about **online safety**. They will learn how to keep their own data safe online and how to read, write and debug computer algorithms. You can access Purple Mash at home through your child's RM Unify log-in <https://www.blowers.dudley.sch.uk/links.htm>.

Homework

On Fridays, children will be given maths homework. This needs to be handed in by the following Wednesday. If the children struggle with any questions, they can ask for help in school. Videos will also be available on the school website to support with this. Please try to encourage your child to hand in homework as early as possible. If your child is still not secure in their multiplication and division facts, please work towards this at home as a matter of urgency. The **Times Table Rock Stars** website can be used to practise.

Reading at Home: We would like reading books and Learning Journals in school every day. We would expect your child to read at home daily; **please sign their diaries at least 3 times per week.**

Remember they don't only have to read the books sent home, newspapers, comics, the internet, television guides and games rules are all texts too!

Challenges

Poetry recital: Children have a total of 6 poems to learn at home. They must be able to recite the poem without any mistakes and answer questions to demonstrate their understanding of the poem's content, techniques and vocabulary. This helps to improve the children's skills of speaking clearly and slowly as well as enhancing their imagination and vocabulary range. It is expected that children learn 2 poems this term.

Reading Challenge: Each child will be issued with a challenge pack that contains a book and a set of question to be completed. Children must record their answers on lined paper provided and return the pack to school in a good order. It is expected that children complete 2 Reading Challenges this term. As part of reading homework, children should answer 15 Reading Challenge questions per week.

Spelling Challenges: For each spelling challenge there are 25 words to learn. Once children are confident that they can spell all of the words they will be tested in school.

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Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Scrivener

