

Welcome to Spring 1 in Year 5

Here is a brief summary of what will we be learning this term

This term, Year 5 will be focusing on The Life of William Shakespeare. By the end of the unit, the children will have a good biographical understanding of William Shakespeare's life and be able to write their own biography about a character.

In spelling, we are continuing to focus on Year 5 key words and using the Sounds Write lessons to develop our spelling strategies.

In handwriting, we will continue to practice joining our letters and applying these skills in our everyday writing.

In reading, we are also learning about William Shakespeare. We will be discussing and exploring three scenes or poems from his plays; Macbeth, A Midsummer Night's Dream and Romeo and Juliet.

Our Big Investigative Question is:

**Are all poems structured the same and how do you know?
What genre is the poem?**

As mathematicians, we will learn about fractions finding equivalents, adding two or more together, comparing and multiplying fractions. We will continue to build our fluency in all areas of mathematics and will practice KIRFS that will be sent home.

In computing, we are learning about Flat-file databases and how they can be used to organize data in records. The children will also be creating graphs and charts from their data to help solve problems.

In history, we will be learning about the Tudors and William Shakespeare. We will be looking at the monarchy and learning about the different classes of the Tudors.

In Art, the children will have the opportunity to work with a screen printing artist to create pieces inspired by the Shakespeare play Henry V.

As scientists, we will be learning all about Properties and Changes of Materials. We will be investigating the properties of everyday materials, the concept of reversible and irreversible changes in states of matter and the different rates at which substances dissolve.

In PSHCE, we will be focusing on Dreams and Goals. The children will be learning about the importance of perseverance, staying motivated, team work and having a positive attitude to help achieve their dreams.

In PE, we are following a new scheme of work from Real PE. We will be focusing on developing our Cognitive Skills and challenging ourselves by analysing our performances.

In Modern Foreign Languages, our topic is called My Home . During this term, the children will be learning new vocabulary about different homes and rooms and hold simple conversations.

Our PE days
are: Monday
and Thursday

Our class book:

