



Hazelbury Primary School

Year 5 Newsletter Summer One 2024

Year 5's learning experiences from Spring 2



Here are a few highlights from Year 5's learning. Some children enjoyed the opportunity to explore coding skills using a BBC Micro:bit - a pocket-sized computer which helps children learn about how computers work. During science learning, children worked collaboratively to create a presentation about the way the body changes in old age. As part of PE, children were supported in developing their tennis skills. Some of our Year 5's worked with our own Sports Coach. All Year 5 children had fun meeting an author - Yassmin Abdel-Magied. They also actively participated in learning and performing a fantastic poetry presentation to their parents and carers. Well done, Year 5!

What will your child be learning about this half term?

In English we will be reading *Cosmic*, *Hacker* and *The Varmints*. We will be writing in different genres including descriptive setting, persuasive text and a retelling of a story from a different perspective. Our grammar focus will be modal verbs, presentational features, accurate tenses and fronted adverbials as well as cohesive devices to link ideas in and across paragraphs.

In maths we will be focusing on understanding decimal numbers and their fraction equivalents. Children will learn to recognise % symbol and understand that per cent relates to 'number of parts of 100' and write these as a fraction out of 100. They will also learn to add, subtract and multiply fractions.

Our topic in Science is 'Earth and Space'. Children will be learning about the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the Solar System.

Our learning quest this half term is *How does money make the world go around?* The intent of this topic is for children to explore trade between countries and how they rely on each other. Children will also develop an understanding of the world's natural resources and debate how and if these natural resources should be shared.

In DT children will design and create a money box selecting the materials and tools they need for its construction.

In music children will learn to listen actively and appraise a piece of music. They will explore the range of sounds they can hear and learn to count beats and rhythm within the song as they learn to perform it.

In PE we will be learning the skills of Track and Field sports.

In Religion and Worldviews lessons, we will be exploring the theme of Justice and Freedom.

In French we will learn key vocabulary related to the topic of *Our School*.

Key Dates for our Year Group this half term

This is in addition to the whole school key dates.

| Date | Event |
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| Friday 19 th April | Swimming starts - Seuss & Kipling Class |
| Friday 17 th May | Home Learning Project due in |
| 21 st and 22 nd May | Science Museum - Carroll & Dahl Class |

Our Recommendations:

Book Recommendation:

Danny the Champion of the World, Roald Dahl
Watership Down, Richard Adams

Website recommendation:

TTRockStars for times tables:

<https://trockstars.com/>

EdShed for spelling and maths:

<https://www.edshed.com/en-gb/menu>

Purple Mash - all curriculum areas:

<https://www.purplemash.com/hazelbury-n9>