

Year 5 Half Termly Letter –Summer 1 2024

Dear parents/carers,
Please find below details of our learning for the half term ahead.

Summer 1 2024	Key question: What is the significance of Hampton Court Palace? Great work: A Tudor Banquet, involving dance, poetry and much more!
Maths	We will be using our knowledge of decimal places to put them in ascending and descending order, using both the same and differing number of decimal places. We will then move onto rounding to a whole number to 1 decimal place. We will also be learning about percentages, where we will find the equivalent percentage as a decimal and fraction. At the end of term, we will find the perimeter and area of single and compound shapes. Key Vocabulary: <i>ascending, descending, equivalent, rounding, percentage, perimeter, area</i>
English	In English, we will be writing a tour brochure for Hampton Court palace, exploring structural features and what makes an effective layout. We will be revisiting and adding to our knowledge of instructional texts by creating a recipe for traditional gingerbread. We will look at poetry to finish the half term. Key Vocabulary: <i>parenthesis, relative clauses, subheadings, adverbs, fronted adverbials.</i>
Religious Education	We will be exploring the question, 'How did the final five human Sikh Gurus shape Sikhi?'. We will build on our knowledge from our previous Sikhism unit and learn more about each Guru and their impact on Sikhism. Key Vocabulary: <i>kesh, kanga, kara, karah parsad, karma, piri, khanda, kirpan, Mukti, reincarnation</i>
Science	In Science, we will consolidate our knowledge of forces. We will be answering the question: <i>Who is Isaac Newton?</i> We will use our understanding to explain a range of familiar phenomena such as gravity, friction and resistance. Key Vocabulary: <i>air/water resistance, gravity, friction, effect, acceleration, Galileo.</i>
Computing	We will be learning how to use Scratch to create our own quizzes. We will focus on how to program, develop and complete a quiz using the knowledge we have gathered about Hampton Court Palace over the term. Key Vocabulary: <i>programming, flow, conditions, modifying, design, code</i>
History	We will look at Hampton Court's impressive history in chronological order, starting with who built it and why it was built. We will look at its famous residents and the various different uses for the palace throughout the decades. Key Vocabulary: <i>Hampton Court, banquet, monarch, residence, Cardinal, wealth, reign.</i>
PE	OAA (outdoor adventurous activities). In this unit, we will work individually and collaboratively to solve problems and share strategies to find the best solutions. We will also develop our map reading skills. In dance, we will learn different styles of movement, working individually, as a pair and in small groups. We will think about how to use movement to explore and communicate ideas and issues, and our feelings and thoughts. Key Vocabulary: <i>map reading, style, tempo, rhythm, collaborative, problem-solving</i>
PATHS/ Relationships and Health Education	In PATHS, we will be learning about how to celebrate others including those who have made some great achievements in their lives but also people who are close to us. In RSE, we will be exploring family and committed relationships. We will understand the characteristics of a healthy and happy relationship and how these develop over time. Key Vocabulary: <i>commemorate, celebrate, committed, families, relationships, respect</i>
Art/ DT	In Art, we will be answering the question, 'What can we learn from Tudor artists?' Our focus artist will be Hans Holbein and our skills will focus on using mixed media and drawing. In DT, we will use our instructions to make gingerbread. Key Vocabulary: <i>portraits, shade, lines, tone, precision, measuring</i>
Music	We will be identifying the features of Motown music. We will be exploring, composing and performing in this style of music. Key Vocabulary: <i>chord, semi-quavers, timbre, minor and major tone, structure</i>
Key dates	<u>Tuesday 21st May:</u> Year group trip to Hampton Court Palace <u>Wednesday 24th April:</u> 5F's class assembly <u>Week commencing 27th May:</u> Half term Willow Wood commences on Tuesday 15th April for all three year 5 classes. Children to come into school in their own clothes. They should also bring in wellies and a waterproof raincoat.

Please note your child's PE Days:

5O: Monday and Wednesday

5F: Monday and Wednesday

5K: Wednesday and Friday

Homework: Please see the letter that went out about homework. After the Easter break, we will be using the CPG books for English and maths homework. We will be setting the homework on our weekly letters and Google Classroom on a Thursday and the children will need to bring their books back in on the following Wednesday to mark their homework. Spellings will be set on Google Classroom on Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

Yours sincerely,

Miss O'Sullivan and Ms O'Connell (5O), Mr Kenny (5K) and Mrs Fitzgerald (5F)