



Rouge Bouillon
School

Year 5

Spring Curriculum Letter



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Welcome Back!

Welcome back to school after the Christmas holidays! This is a busy and exciting term in Year 5!

English

This term, we will be reading: The girl who stole an elephant by Nizrana Farook. We will be focusing on writing an adventure narrative, biography (based on famous adventurers) and persuasive speech which is linked to the setting in our text Sri Lanka.

Topic

Our topic this term is about Asia: mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes and we will be looking at answering the enquiry question: What are natural disasters and how do they impact the lives of the people living in Asia?

We will be studying the techniques of printing in our art lessons we will be researching into the artist Hokusai and the art piece 'The Great Wave' as well as the local artist Peter Knight. In RE we will focusing on our enquiry question: What does it mean to be Muslim in Britain today?

Uniform and PE kit

All children are expected to be wearing the correct uniform everyday unless it is a PE day or they are taking part in an after school club which requires a PE kit.

It is expected that children wear the correct **winter** uniform, which is as follows:

- white shirt
- tie
- black skirt/trousers
- white socks/black tights
- green jumper/cardigan with logo
- Black school shoes (no trainers unless it is a PE day)

Each week, Year 5 will take part in 2 PE sessions. As the weather gets colder, we suggest the full Rouge Bouillon tracksuit is worn as we will be doing PE in all weather. The children must wear trainers or plimsolls for all PE sessions. **All uniform must be named.**

Mathematics

In Maths, we will be completing perimeter and area and moving onto fractions and decimals. Year 5 will be interpreting fractions, understanding equivalent fractions, mixed numbers and improper fractions. As well as exploring decimal and connecting these to our fraction knowledge.

Science

This term our science lessons will focus on Materials. This unit looks closely at the usefulness of certain properties of materials and changes in materials.

Homework

Each child is required to read every night for at least **15 minutes**. Please make sure reading records are signed each night.

If children have access to devices, please complete Times Tables Rockstars practice (**10 mins**). *If access to a device is a problem, let us know and we can give out paper times tables!*

Year 5 will be trialling a new approach to maths homework in line with the ARK Maths Mastery scheme. Each week, pupils will receive one homework sheet that consolidates the concepts they are currently learning or have recently learned in class. Homework will be sent home on **Monday** and should be completed and returned by **Friday** of the same week. To support families, a **parent guidance sheet** will be provided alongside each homework task to outline key methods and strategies.

New spellings are given out every week to be practised daily online using Edshed. If your child cannot access the internet for any reasons, then we will provide them with a paper version. **Class teachers are able to see who has been regularly practising.**

PE Days and Key dates

5N – Monday and Friday

5S- Thursday and Friday

Year 5 will begin Padel tennis training sessions with instructor Russ.

We will be training with him every Friday for PE. **Friday 13th February** we will visit the island Padel centre for a session there.

January 23rd is **5N's** assembly and we'd love for you to join us!
More details to follow.

Staff

The Year 5 team is Miss Naughton and Mr Staples

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