Year 5 Curriculum News – Summer Term 2025

Mathematics and Numeracy

Number work will focus on further developing the four number operations by challenging the children with more complex numbers, including word problems. We will continue to work on numerical reasoning into the summer term to ensure that the children further develop the skills they have acquired during the previous terms.

How can you help? — Please complete the weekly maths homework and practise multiplication tables with your children whenever you can. A good knowledge of their multiplication tables will allow your children to feel more confident in all areas of their number work.

Languages, Literacy and Communication

Language work this term will include genres such as instructional texts, letter writing and explanation texts. We will also write more narrative stories linked to our topics. Speaking and listening skills will continue to be developed through group tasks, debating and presentations. We will continue to improve our grammar and comprehension skills also.

How can you help? - Revise spellings on a weekly basis and continue to read at home as much as possible.

Welsh

This term, the children will continue doing Daily Welsh activities. We will be learning how to talk in more detail about the weather as well as activities that we like to do. We will continue to work on oracy, reading and writing through these topics, learning more vocabulary and reinforcing language patterns already learnt. We will continue to develop incidental Welsh through daily activities and learn to read new Welsh texts without English translation.

International Languages

We will continue to have fun furthering our basic understanding of the French language this term. We will build upon the pupils' prior language knowledge to further develop fluency through a range of different French topics.

R.V.E.

This term Year 5 are looking at no faith and multifaith. They will begin with an introduction to the concepts of faith and no faith, whilst exploring religious diversity in Wales, and examining secularism. They will further delve into the significance of religious festivals, comparing ethical teachings across different beliefs, and investigate how personal and community identities are shaped by faith or the lack thereof. Toward the end, they will discuss the role of religious education in fostering respect and tolerance, culminating with a reflective session on personal beliefs and mutual respect for others.

Humanities/Science and Technology

The children will be reinforcing their knowledge of the Digital Competency Framework this term. The scheme of work highlights the importance of staying safe online with regards to passwords, emails and gaming. The children will also have further opportunity to work through their Hwb account using Office 365 for lesson research.

Microbits

This term Year 5 will be getting to grips with using Microbits. They will progress from understanding basic functions of Microbits to applying complex programming skills and integrating technology with external devices. Students will explore topics such as input and output operations, data handling, and wireless communications through engaging, project-based activities, culminating in a project that encapsulates all the skills acquired.

Allotment

This project has a scientific/geographical focus and teaches children about the different types/parts of plants, flowers and vegetables, their life cycles and what they need to grow. In this project the children will learn:

- About the biology of a range of plants, flowers, fruits and vegetables their uses and the conditions needed for growth.
- About issues of sustainability and how they are practised in the local community and local farming.
- How to plant seeds, rear and harvest them.

Health and Well-being

PE lessons will be taken by Mr. Nurton or myself and will focus on developing a range of physical education skills. Please ensure that your children bring their school PE kit in every Monday in preparation for their weekly P.E. lesson (this can be kept in school if required). PE kit should consist of black or navy jogging bottoms / shorts, a white t-shirt/jumper and suitable outdoor shoes.

Our well-being work this term will focus on the jigsaw PSHE scheme of work.

General Information

Swimming – In the second half of the term pupils will be completing a 2-week swimming course at Llantwit Major Leisure Centre. This will consist of an hour-long swimming lesson every day, week commencing 9th June.

Pink Homework Books - Pupils can use these to practise their weekly homework. Homework will consist of MyMaths work and spelling. Homework will be sent home via parentmail unless a paper copy is requested or parents have not signed up to parentmail. A homework letter will also be posted on the school website weekly for the children to access independently.

Home readers - I will listen to your children read weekly during our ERIC reading sessions. The children are permitted to take home books from the Y5/6 library and change these as frequently as they would like.

I am very much looking forward to the exciting summer term ahead. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes,

Mr Dudley