



This half term we will be learning the following things. Here are also some useful hints and tips for helping at home!

	At School	At Home
English	In English, the children will learn and write through a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. This half term, the class novel is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. Daily spelling lessons will help children to learn new spelling patterns and cover the Year 5 spelling words. Handwriting lessons will help children join their letters, size and space them correctly, and write more quickly as they progress.	• Aim to hear your child read at least three times a week. • Read your child a book on a night. Promote a love of reading. • Encourage your child to seize as many writing opportunities as possible.
Maths	In Maths, the children continue to develop their understanding multiplication and division. They will learn to compare, convert, and order fractions, and will start adding and subtracting mixed numbers.	• Continue to revise times tables up to 12x. • Practise addition and subtraction methods at home.
Science	In Science, the children will explore the properties of different materials and learn how they can be grouped based on their characteristics. They will also investigate how materials can be changed through various processes such as heating, cooling, and mixing.	• Explore the properties of different materials at home.
PE	In PE, the children will explore a range of dance forms – with a particular focus on Bollywood. The class will participate in a range of fun, active, engaging lessons concentrating on a specific skill each lesson. We aim to develop key skills in each lesson.	• Encourage your child to take part in daily physical exercise.
RE	In RE, children will explore the significance of holy buildings and works of art in both Christianity and Islam, focusing on how they express devotion and worship. They will also examine how generosity and charity are practiced in these religions, while considering different viewpoints on these practices.	• Discuss different beliefs about God and the practices of various religions with your child.
Latin	The children will continue to learn Latin as their foreign language. This term, the children will learn about possessive noun endings.	• Ask your child about the new Latin words they've learned each week.
Computer Science and IT	This half term, children will use the Crumble programming environment to explore selection in programming, learning to control LEDs and motors with a microcontroller. They will build on their knowledge of repetition and conditions to program actions using the "if, then" structure.	• Practise your coding skills at home. • Talk to your child about Online Safety and the rules in your home.

Geography	In Geography, the children will learn how to use maps, atlases, and globes to understand locations and places. They will also develop skills in using grid references and a compass to navigate accurately.	Explore maps, globes, and atlases with your child at home.
Music	In Music, children will explore the electronic keyboard, learning basic functions, finger positioning, and how to play simple scales and melodies. They will also study Pachelbel's Canon, creating a class performance while improving their skills in reading music notation.	Research Pachelbel's work at home.
DT	In DT, the children will explore the French Bread and Soup Festival, learning about traditional recipes and cooking techniques. They will plan, make, and evaluate their own soup and bread, developing skills in both cooking and design.	Research different recipes at home.
Personal, Social and Health Education	In PSHE, the children will explore important topics around relationships, including love, boundaries, and the signs of bullying or abuse. They will also learn about discrimination, harassment, and the concept of protected characteristics, focusing on respect and consent in different relationships.	Talk about British Values and how they relate to your child's daily life.
Virtue	Within school we have 6 virtues: fairness, kindness, bravery, respect, coolness and stickability which are all interwoven through our curriculum and, policies and every day practice. This half term our virtue is bravery .	Discuss what looks like in day-to-day scenarios.