



Years 5 & 6, Summer 1

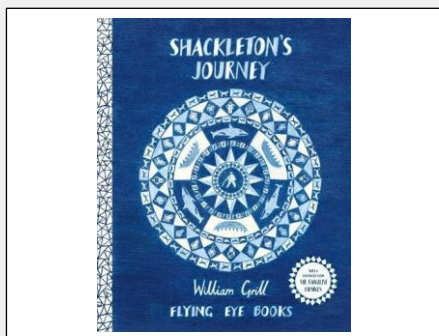
English

We will be reading the book *Shackleton's Journey*, which builds nicely on our Geography work about 'extreme environments'!

The book will inspire children to write formal and informal letters. Children will apply for a role on Shackleton's crew, then 'become' Shackleton and write a letter home about the dramatic events.

We will then move onto writing a narrative (story).

We are reading...



RE

This term we are coming back to look at Islam in a bit more depth. The children will be finding out about when Islam started and how the Qur'an came to be written. They will learn about what happens at a mosque and why the five pillars are so important to Muslims. The children will also have opportunities to reflect on how a Muslim worldview is different or similar to their own.

Science

Year 5: The year 5 children will be looking at forces this term. They will be learning about friction, air resistance, water resistance and gravity and carrying out some experiments to discover the different effects of these forces.

Year 6: In Year 6 Science, children will be studying the Animals Including Humans unit, exploring how the human body works and how we stay healthy. This term includes lessons on the heart and blood, so children who are squeamish will be gently prepared and supported during these sessions.

Maths

Year 5: In year 5 this term, the children will be exploring decimals. They will be learning about adding and subtracting decimals with the same and different decimal places, they will order decimals and they will multiply and divide decimals by 10, 100 and 1000. We will then move our learning onto negative numbers.

Year 6: Children will be carrying on with their pre-SATs revision including arithmetic, shape, angles and fractions. Please continue to encourage your children to practise their arithmetic skills at home.



History

So far this year in History, we have learned about the Windrush generation and Victorian inventions.

We are now going further back in time to Ancient Greece. Children will learn about how the inventions of Ancient Greece impacted our country today, particularly focusing on democracy vs. oligarchy.

French

In French we are going to continue to develop our skills focusing on the three pillars of phonics, vocabulary and grammar.

Music

Music will carry on in the second half of the summer term.

PSHE

The theme for our PSHE day this half term will be 'Our World and our Future.'

PSHE day will be Wednesday 20th May

Computing

We will be doing Coding: designing and building more complex programmes using a variety of tools, including flowcharts and simulations.

PE

Our units are Dodgeball and Athletics!

PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays.