



Gisburn Road CP School

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Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter— Spring Term 2

Hawk Owls

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a lovely break and are feeling refreshed and ready for our new topic focused around inventors and inventions. We have lots of great things planned and look forward to sharing them with you all. We are always here if you have any concerns or questions. I am really pleased with how hard our class has been working so far.

Mr Shabbir and Miss Hartley



What will we be learning this Term?

English

We will focus our work around The Invention of Hugo Cabret and will explore story writing, including developing characters, creating a plot and describing settings. As always, we will continue to develop our grammar, punctuation and spellings (GPS) throughout our reading and writing work as well as specific focused lessons.

Maths

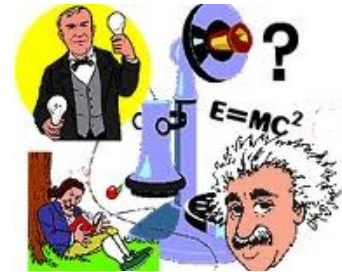
We will spend a large chunk of this half-term on fractions, multiplication, division, statistics, area and volume. Now that we have a good knowledge of place value, we can push our thinking further. We will also continue to consolidate our knowledge of the times tables and do some work on 2D and 3D shapes.

Science

Our focus in science is forces. We will identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction by identifying forces acting on objects.

Topic

In History we will find out about the importance of Baghdad's role in the early Islamic Civilisation; find out about the House of Wisdom and how it became a centre for learning. In D.T we will look at how cams, levers and pulleys are used in the real world and will then use them to make a working toy that has movement.



Dates

Monday 25th February

School re-opens after half-term holiday

Friday 1st March to Sunday 3rd March

Y5 Robinwood Residential

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day—dress up as your favourite character

Friday 8th March

Book Café (2pm-4pm) All parents/carers are welcome to attend

Friday 15th March

Year 5 Class Assembly

W/C 18th March

Science week

Thursday 21st March

Y5 Parents/Carers in class (1pm-2pm)

Monday 1st April

2:30 - 7:30pm

Parents' Afternoon/Evening
School closes at 2:00pm

Home Learning

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English and Maths homework will be given on a Friday to be in the following Wednesday. Children will also get a creative homework sheet and must complete at least two of the activities and return their final pieces by Tuesday 2nd April.

Home reading.

We ask that your child reads for at least 10 minutes each evening. This can be independent reading, and may include magazines, non-fiction or novels. Please sign the red home reading booklet when you see or hear your child reading.

PE

We will be doing PE on Tuesday and Thursday but we would like PE kit in each day as we may complete other PE activities during the week. Please ensure that your child has an indoor and outdoor kit in school.

Autumn 1: **A Kingdom United**



Geography and History based. Maps of Great Britain and the United Kingdom. A look at where the Anglo Saxons came from and how they lived. Fascinating landmarks and facts about the four countries and their capitals.



Autumn 2: **Food Glorious Food**

Geography, Science and D.T based. Where our food comes from, how far it travels, where food grows and how to make different food from around the world.

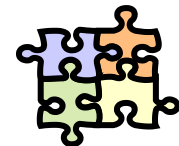
Spring 1: **Earthlings**

Science based. All about space and the world around us.



Spring 2: **Inventors and Inventions**

History and D.T based. A look into inventions, what were some of the oldest inventions, who were the famous inventors. Can we invent our own toy with cams?



Summer 1: **Amazon Adventure**

Geography and Science based. Where is the Amazon? What lives there? How animals and plants grow and adapt.



Summer 2: **Go Greek**

History based. What was life like in Ancient Greece? Explore and discover traditions, daily life, food and key events.

