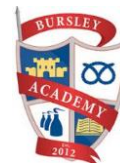




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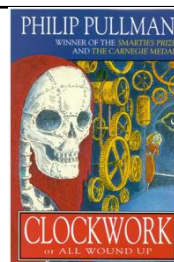


Year 5 Newsletter – Autumn 1

We hope you had a lovely Summer break and are looking forward to an exciting half term in Y5!

English

This half term in English, we will be studying *Clockwork, or All Wound Up* by Philip Pullman. The children will explore themes of mystery and suspense, while developing their understanding of characterisation, setting, dialogue and descriptive language. They will examine how authors build tension and engage the reader before using these techniques to plan, write and edit their own imaginative stories. We will also continue to develop reading comprehension through exploring characters, themes, vocabulary and the author's use of language.



Maths

This half term in Maths, we will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction. The children will develop their understanding of the value of digits within numbers and practise reading, writing, ordering and comparing numbers. They will then use this knowledge to add and subtract using mental and formal written methods, including exchanging where necessary.

We will also continue our daily practice of multiplication facts, alongside our weekly multiplication speed checks. Regular recall of times tables is essential for building confidence and fluency in Maths.

<https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>

<https://www.timestables.co.uk>

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

<https://mathsbot.com/primary/year5Mini> (arithmetic)

Foundation Subjects

Science

In Science this half term, we will be exploring the properties and changes of materials. The children will learn about the different properties of materials and investigate how they can be changed through processes such as heating, cooling and dissolving. They will explore whether changes are reversible or irreversible through a range of practical investigations.

Geography

In Geography this half term, we will be exploring hills and mountains. The children will learn about how these physical features are formed and use maps to locate and identify major mountain ranges around the world. They will explore the key features of mountains and consider how people live and work in mountainous areas.

Art

In Art this half term, the children will explore the work of Vincent van Gogh, developing their drawing skills through the use of colour, line and texture. They will learn about single focal point compositions and experiment with perspective and detail to create their own drawings inspired by Van Gogh's style.

Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

In our "Me and My School" unit, the children will explore their strengths, skills and qualities and consider how these can be used to make a positive difference in our school community. They will develop their leadership skills, explore ways to work effectively with others, and think about how they can take responsibility and contribute positively to school life.

Religious Education (RE)

In RE, we will be learning about Christianity. The children will explore the life and teachings of Jesus, the importance of the Bible and Christian beliefs, and how Christians put their faith into practice in their daily lives.

Music- Classic Rock – Livin' on a prayer.

Computing- Computing systems and Networks

<https://www.bursley.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/our-classes/year-5>

Key Dates

- P.E- Mr Pattison's class- Every Monday and Thursday/ Miss Shevchenko's class- Every Monday and Friday.
- Thursday 03rd September – Meet the teacher
- Wednesday 09th September – Registration for World Book Day Books
- Wednesday 23rd September – SEND Parents evening
- Friday 16th October – History Day
- Monday 19th October– Try Something Different week
- Thursday 22nd October – Halloween Disco
- Friday 23rd October – Immunisation team in school

If you have any questions, please email office@bursley.staffs.sch.uk

Many thanks for your continued support, Mr Pattison and Miss Shevchenko