



Kidbrooke Park Primary School

Year 5 Curriculum Overview

Spring 1

Welcome Back!

Reading

Our author focus will be Onjali Q. Rauf. Onjali Q. Rauf writes children's fiction that explores important social issues with warmth and humour. She is also an activist and founder of the charity Making Herstory, which supports women and girls' rights. Her novels have received wide recognition: *The Boy at the Back of the Class* won the Blue Peter Book Award, and many of her books have been shortlisted for major children's literature prizes.



English

This term, Year 5 will be reading *The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad* by Saviour Pirotta. The story follows a young boy caught in a dangerous quest across the ancient city of Baghdad, where he encounters mysterious characters and discovers the true value of courage and loyalty. The children will be writing detailed character and setting descriptions, as well as a narrative that includes accurately punctuated speech. .



Maths

This half-term, we will be looking at formal methods for multiplication and division. We will also be building upon our knowledge of fractions and will be finding fractions of amounts and quantities.

Science

In Science, the children will be exploring different materials and looking at their properties. We will conduct some scientific experiments to test these properties.



History

This term in History, we will be learning about the Golden Age of Islam, a period of great discovery, learning, and creativity that took place over a thousand years ago. We will explore how scholars in cities like Baghdad made important advances in maths, science, medicine, and astronomy.

Art

In Art, the children will be creating their own geometric patterns inspired by traditional Islamic tiles.

They will explore how shapes, symmetry, and repeating patterns are used to create beautiful designs. Using rulers, compasses, and vibrant colours, the children will experiment with different combinations to produce their final tile artwork. This project will help them understand how geometry and creativity come together in Islamic art.



PE

PE days:
5AZ – Tuesdays and Thursdays
5SR-Wednesday Swimming and Thursday PE

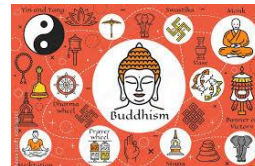
Please ensure your child is prepared with the correct kit that is suitable for winter and that all items are correctly labelled.

-White T-shirt
-Black/navy/ blue leggings / tracksuit bottoms (not too long or baggy) / shorts
-Plimsolls / trainers

Please note that 5SR will be attending swimming lessons this term and 5AZ will be attending from Spring 2. More information regarding this will follow shortly.

RE

The children will start looking at Buddhism. We will learn all about Buddha and his teachings. We will look at Buddhist festivals and how they are celebrated around the world.



PSHE

In PSHE, the children will be focusing on online safety. This will involve how to communicate safely, how to choose secure passwords and how to navigate the online world. To support our PSHE and computing lessons, please also ensure you are monitoring your child's online use, and having discussions with them about using this appropriately.



Homework

Weekly Homework Expectations

- Reading for pleasure book taken home and comments recorded by an adult in reading record
- Reading comprehension
- Spelling, Grammar and Punctuation
- Maths – Arithmetic

Homework will be provided every **Thursday** and must be returned every **Tuesday** with their reading record. Any child who does not hand in their completed homework will be required to stay in during **Wednesday** lunchtime to finish their work. This will ensure they stay on track with their learning. We appreciate your support in encouraging your child to complete their homework regularly.