



CLASSROOM NEWS



Brazil Year 5 - Autumn 2 2023

English

Our text this half term is 'Golden Horsemen of Baghdad' which links to our topic of the early Islamic civilisation. We will write predictions, summaries, setting descriptions, stories and persuasive writing linked to the text. We will plan our writing by identifying the audience and purpose and we will produce drafts and evaluate them to ensure our writing is the best it can be.

Maths

In maths we are going to start our unit on multiplication and division. We are going to learn how to identify factors, multiples, prime numbers, composite numbers and square numbers. We are also going to learn how to multiply and divide whole numbers by 10, 100 and 1000. We are then going to learn how to use the formal written method for division and column multiplication.

Topic

This half term our topic is 'Early Islamic Civilisation' which is mostly history based. In this unit children will delve into a non-European period of history which will give them the opportunity to compare it with the British/ European history they have learnt about previously. The learning will be focused on a key study of Baghdad in AD 900 where we will learn about settlements, jobs, education and trade at the time.

Science

Our topic in science is 'Properties and Changes of Materials.' We will investigate materials through a range of tasks including fair testing and observations. We will compare and group everyday materials based on their properties, we will use our knowledge of solids, liquids and gasses to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporation and we will investigate reversible and irreversible changes.

Other information:

- As pupils are now in year 5, if parents/ carers feel they are mature enough and can be trusted to walk to and from school alone, they must message Miss Hussain on Seesaw and request a copy of the walking home alone policy. This must be signed and returned before your child is allowed to walk home alone.
- Every other Monday afternoon, starting on Monday 6th November we will have Mr Bullock teaching us Art.
- We will continue going swimming every other Thursday afternoon. Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit into school on their swimming days. Swimming kits should include - swim suit/trunks, a towel and a pair of goggles.
- Please ensure your child completes their homework every week. Homework is handed out every Friday and must be completed and returned for the following Thursday.
- Please ensure your child is reading their reading book at home at least 3 times a week and learns their spellings ready for a spelling test on Friday.

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 6th November - school reopens.
- Wednesday 8th November - Parents evening
- Friday 8th November - Individual school photograph day
- Monday 13th - Friday 17th November - Anti-bullying week.
- Tuesday 14th - Y5 Managing emotions workshop (in school)
- Friday 17th November - Children in Need yellow/spotty/sporty themed non-uniform day.
- Monday 4th December - Christmas fayre
- Tuesday 19th December - upper school singing around the Christmas tree performance 2:15
- Other Christmas events/ key dates to be confirmed in the weekly newsletter