

Year 5 Autumn Term 2 2019

English

This half-term in English we will be studying the themes and ideas raised in Beverley Naidoo's *Journey to Jo'Burg*. We will then link this with our learning in Geography to study the physical and human geography of another country. Following this, we will compare historical descriptions of our local area with those found in Michelle Magorian's *Goodnight Mister Tom.*



In our written pieces, developing editing skills will continue to be a central focus.

Reading Masters sessions will continue to take place daily, with children exposed to a range of texts and genres.

Maths

This half-term in maths we will be studying multiplication and division methods. This will include work with the Grid Method and expanded methods of multiplication, as well as short division; firstly without, then with remainders.



Following this, we will consolidate our learning by answering problems in context which will involve all four of the operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division).

In arithmetic sessions, we will continue to develop the speed and accuracy with which we can solve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division calculations. We will also build upon our times tables knowledge, making more meaningful connections with other areas of our learning - such as factors and calculating in steps of powers of ten.

Key Vocabulary:

RE: tolerance, compassion, mindfulness

Science: motor, circuit, current, resistance

Geography: community, demographic, population, urban, rural

Computing: code, edit, debug, program, run

Topic

In **Geography** and **History** lessons we will be studying our local area, comparing what it is like now with how it was in the past. We will then complete a comparison study with the South African city of Johannesburg (supporting our learning in English). Coding is our next area of learning in **Computing**.



In French, continue learning vocabulary related to food and hobbies.

Science

Electricity is our main science topic this half-term.

We look forward to taking part in regular practical sessions to investigate how electricity works and how it can be used and manipulated.



Music

We will continue to have our weekly music lessons delivered by Sistema.

This half-term some of us will take part in digital music lessons, where we will learn how to create music using apps. Samba drumming lessons will also be continuing.



Sports

Dance and personal development (part of our 'Real PE' programme) are the next teaching areas this half-term. Please note that Dance sessions will take place <u>inside</u>.



Weekly swimming at the Norwich Sports Park - for specific groups of children - will run alongside this.

RE / RSE

In the build up to Christmas, we will be focusing on the question 'Is the Christmas story true?' and discussing reasons why some people may believe that this is/is not the case.



In RSE we will be exploring loss, with a particular focus on the feelings associated with grief and bereavement.



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Weekly	diary
Monday	 Home Learning Logs due - make sure you have read x4 times & completed x4 maths activities Music lessons PE lessons pm (both classes)
Tuesday	 Swimming lessons (selected children only) Spelling test + new spellings sent home Individual music lessons
Wednesday	
Thursday	 Home learning due in New home learning set PE lessons (both classes) School library sessions
Friday	Take PE kit home to be washed

Key dates this half-term

Friday 1st November	Y5/6 Careers Fair
Monday 4th November	School Photos
Monday 4th - Tuesday 19th-	Bikeability training (2-day sessions,
November	groups to follow by 1st Nov)
Tuesday 5th November	Sibling photos
Friday 15th November	Anti-bullying Curriculum Day
Wednesday 27th November	Advent café, 4:30-5:30pm
Friday 29th November	Advent Curriculum Day
Monday 2nd - Friday 6th	Assessment week
December	
Friday 6th December	Les Ecureuils show & share
Friday 13th December	Les Blaireaux show & share
Wednesday 18th December	KS2 Christmas Dinner

News

We would like to welcome back all children and their families. We hope that you have all had a wonderful half term!

We look forward to continuing to work with you all this year, and hope to see you at our shared Parent Café events.

With thanks for your support,

Mr Emmens (Year Leader, Les Ecureuils)
Mrs Bowes-Mulligan (Teacher, Les Blaireaux)











