

Drew Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter



Achieving Together

Year 5

Year Group and Staff

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Teachers: Ms Leech, Ms Nim, Miss A. Begum

English

In the first half term we are reading 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom'. The children will be producing persuasive writing from the perspective of the main character.

In the second half term we will be reading 'Clockwork'. We will be developing our narrative skills, focusing on story openings.



Maths

In Maths, we will be developing our skills on our number and place value up to 1 000 000, comparing and rounding numbers.

We will also be focusing on different methods of adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing.



Science

We will be identifying the properties of different materials and explaining their uses. We will also be carrying out many interesting experiments such as 'Which temperature will dissolve sugar?'

In the second half term our topic will be 'Out of this World' where we will explore the solar system.



Computing

We will begin computing by developing a 'simple' game, we will be focussing on making the game enjoyable and challenging. We will then work on creating blogs, where pupils will be able to share information.



This year, we have moved away from Class Dojo and are implementing an in-class behaviour management system. Children's behaviours will be tracked by classroom staff with the aim of each class being to earn a group reward. Each day, when children enter the classroom, they are 'Ready To Learn'. Through displaying positive behaviour for learning and in interactions with adults and peers, they will be deemed to have shown 'Fantastic' or, even better, 'Extraordinary' behaviour.

In instances of children making poor choices, they will be encouraged to 'Make Better Choices' before children are asked to reflect on their behaviour during their playtime the following day ('Consequence').

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Marie Curie P.E

Please ensure that your child brings and wears the correct PE uniform (in school colours) on the correct day.

Monday: Indoor PE (Fitness)

Friday: Outdoor PE (Football)

Temple Grandin P.E

Please ensure that your child brings and wears the correct PE uniform (in school colours) on the correct day.

Thursday: Indoor PE (Fitness)

Friday: Outdoor PE (Football)



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History / Geography



Our Geography topic is going to be "What is so special about the USA?" We will focus on locating the world's countries, using maps to focus on North America and concentrating on their key physical and human features, countries, and other major cities. Our History topic will be crime and punishment, we look at how crime and punishment has changed in Britain since the Roman invasion.



Music

All children will take part in **Steel Pan classes every Tuesday.**

Additionally, we will be integrating the arts throughout their learning through specialists called Artis. With the Artis approach, children are physically engaged in the learning process: they will be acting, singing and dancing the curriculum.



Homework

The children can support their learning at home by using 'Education City', an educational resource that supports the school curriculum. The children will be assigned work to do at home weekly by their class teacher and will submit it electronically. There will be a homework club on a Monday after school for those children who do not have access to the internet at home.



RE/PSHE



In RE, we will be exploring the question 'How is Christmas celebrated around the world?' In PSHE, we will be focusing on the topic of "Me in the World".

Design Technology & Art

In DT, we will be incorporating the book 'There's a Boy in the Girls' bathroom' by designing and creating a school bag.

In Art, children will be taught different skills and techniques to help them when drawing.

The children will develop their drawing skills, including shading, showing texture and the use of shadow.