

In Literacy we will be studying...

Mission to Mars

As students at the Mission to Mars Space Academy (our new and exciting IPC topic) we will be covering a range of writing styles. We will include a selection of non-fiction writing including non-chronological reports, information leaflets and persuasive letters. Additionally, we will write advertisements, reports and a tour guide.

GPS – In our writing, we will develop our use of multi-clause sentences and consider when to use formal and informal language. We will continue to work on using a wide range of punctuation across all genres of writing.

As mathematicians we will be looking at...

Negative numbers, formal written methods of calculation. In geometry, we will focus on identifying, measuring and drawing angles and also measurements of length. We will be applying our times tables knowledge to solve division calculations. We will also look at fractions, thinking about how to add and subtract them by using common denominators.

Year 5 Key Information

Home Learning will be given out on **Friday**. This will include spelling activities and should be handed in on **Tuesday**.

PE will be on **Tuesday and Friday**. **Friday** will be hockey so please remember to bring in your gum shield.



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Year 5 Newsletter Spring 1 - 2018

Happy New Year! Welcome back to the first half of a wonderful spring term. We hope that you had a lovely Christmas and are as excited as we are about our new learning. Thanks for your continued support,
The Year 5 Team.

Important Dates

Friday 19th January
5D - Class Assembly

Tuesday 30th January
Trip to the Science Museum!

Wednesday 31st January
Young Voices at the O₂

Maths Café Week
19th February - 23rd February

How can you help at home?

- Please continue to share your child's reading book with them at least 3 times a week and record this in your child's Reading Journal.
- Help your child complete their spelling home learning and talk about what the words mean.
- Practise recall of times tables, associated division facts and number bonds.
- Practise telling the time from an analogue clock.
- Please ensure your child has a Raglan Book bag to bring in to the classroom every day so that reading books and letters can be accessed more easily.
Thank you!

Useful Websites

www.mathletics.co.uk

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

bbc.co.uk/education/levels/ks2 (BBC Bitesize)

http://www.kidsastronomy.com/solar_system.htm for information about the solar system linked to Mission to Mars



Mission to Mars

As Scientists we will...

Become students at the space academy, training for a mission to Mars. We will investigate our solar system, comparing the different planets and thinking about how night, day and seasons occur. We will explore forces and the effects that they have. Identifying the conditions that would be needed on Mars to sustain life, including growing food and finding energy sources will be included.

As sportsmen and women, we will think about the fitness and conditioning that would be required to cope with a mission to Mars. We will also continue to develop our hockey skills, thinking about game play and team tactics.

As Geographers, we will be investigating the physical features on the surface of Mars, including the Olympus Mons volcano and the availability of water.

In RE, we will continue to develop our understanding of the Hindu religion. We will focus on the omnipotence of Brahman.