



Riverside Primary School



English

In English, we will be studying a number of black individuals who have achieved greatness in the face of much discrimination and prejudice. We will use a book chronicling the lives of 52 people from the past and present who have broken new ground. We will read a novel called 'Journey to the Frozen North' about Matthew Henson who was an explorer. We will study the genres of biography and diaries, writing our own diary entries as Matthew Henson.

Science

Our topic this term is 'Animals including Humans'. Children will be learning about the life cycle and understand how humans develop and change throughout their lives. They will start by learning about babies, moving to childhood and puberty, including the differences girls and boys have in changes to their body and the menstrual cycle. They will then learn about nutrition and understand what humans need in order to have healthy bodies, as well as digestion and teeth.



Mathematics

Pupils will start this term focusing on place value. We will learn to represent, read and write numbers up to one million. Pupils will also be able to explain how to order and compare six digit numbers. We will also practise adding and subtracting using the formal column methods, developing our written methods as well as mental methods, We will also look at multiplication and division.

PSHCE

Pupils will explore how gaming positively and negatively effects mental and emotional health. They will explore feelings such as loneliness and how we can help ourselves and others. They will also learn about personal hygiene and puberty.



Year 5

Computing

This term we will be learning digital literacy and e-safety. The children will learn about the great benefits of computers and communication but also learn the skills and knowledge needed to avoid the problems that can occur.



Art

Children will be introduced to typography. Typography is the art of creating and arranging letters in a way which is visually appealing and imaginative.



PE and Kit

Tuesday and Thursday.
Athletics. Developing technique, control and balance in different running distances. Practise a wide variety of athletic throwing and jumping skills. In the other lesson we have cricket coaches in school teaching cricket skills such as striking and fielding.
White t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. Jogging bottoms will be needed as the weather gets cold as we will try to be outside.

Homework

Pupils will be expected to read regularly at home and learn weekly spellings and times tables for a test on Friday. They should aim to complete one homework task a week.
(see Homework Matrix in Homework Book)

History

Our topic this half term is The Vikings in Britain. We will look at how and why they travelled across the seas. We will learn about the monastery at Lindisfarne and why monasteries were a good place to raid.
Children will find evidence of the Viking invasion in settlements and place names around the North East. We will set up a historical debate as to whether the Vikings really were as vicious as they are often portrayed

