

### **English**

For writing, we will start with an interesting poem of love and sacrifice, 'The Highway Man'. The children will be exploring features such as figurative language, metaphors and personification and will also look at re-enacting parts of the poem in small groups. Additionally, we will be writing a newspaper article with a focus on crime and punishment, using features like reported speech and formal language. Finally, we will practise articulating our opinions and backing them up with facts when debating issues in the modern justice system. In Reading, we will be using the novel 'Holes' by Louis Sachar (a story about a boy unjustly sent to a detention centre). We will focus especially on predicting, summarising, and explaining.

### **Spellings**

Children will learn the following spelling rules: words ending '-ant', '-ance', '-ent', '-ence', '-able', '-ible', '-ably', and '-ibly'. Children will also learn to spell some challenging words.

### **PSHE**

Our focus will be 'Celebrating Differences'. We will learn about how important it is to show respect for our own, and different, cultures and understand the importance of happiness and contentment.

### **Music**

We will be doing 'Classroom Jazz' in music. Children will get the opportunity to play instruments and will be able to improvise with these instruments.

### **P.E.**

This term, children will be practising skills related to games such as attacking and defending. They will then be applying these skills to game situations.

### **Art**

We will be focussing on Alma Thomas and her work on 'Space Art'. Children will have the opportunity to explore different materials and techniques to recreate one of her pictures.

### **French**

The focus for this term will be 'All About Ourselves'. Children will learn to talk about what they are doing, what they are wearing and how they are feeling.

### **Science**

This term, children will be learning about the relative size, shape and movement of the Earth and moon as well as the importance of the Sun. Investigations will include looking at how shadows change over the course of a day and understanding how time differences work across the Earth.

### **Maths**

This term we will be looking at Geometry as well as Addition and Subtraction. The children will be identifying 3D shapes such as cubes, cuboids, prisms and pyramids from their nets. Children will also be adding and subtracting 4 digit numbers using efficient methods, progressing further by using decimal numbers. Furthermore, we will work on multiplication and division, specifically looking at multiplying and dividing whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100 and 1000.

### **Computing**

This term, children will be learning about online safety. This will include their responsibilities online, protecting their privacy, how to cite sources and understanding how reliable information is online.

### **RE**

Children will be investigating the different accounts of the Christmas story by different people in the Bible to address the similarities and differences.

### **Reminders**

**Reading Records will be collected each week.**

**Spelling tests take place on a Monday.**

**Remember to keep practising your times tables.**

## **Term 2 - Year 5**

# **Crime and Punishment**



### **History**

We will be learning about how the punishments of crimes have changed over time. Children will use different sources to find out information about types of crimes and how they were dealt with in Anglo Saxon, Tudor, Georgian and Victorian times and will compare and contrast this with the modern justice system.