

# Curriculum Letter Year 5

## Spring 1 - 2024



### Maths



During this term, we will be moving on in our maths journeys this half term and will be looking at division, fractions and decimals.

The children will be learning formal methods for multiplication and division, in which times tables will be put into practise and essential. Please continue to support your children with this at home.

Our **enquiry question** for this half term will continue to be:



**Does the  
Punishment  
EVER fit the  
Crime?**

During this history led enquiry, the children will be looking specifically at the crime of 'theft' and how the punishments for this crime has changed in Britain since 1066 to the modern day.

Throughout our history focus, we will be studying key eras in British History starting with; 'Outlaws' in Medieval Britain; the 'Peasants revolt' and what living conditions caused this and the 'Golden Age of Piracy' during the Tudor period.

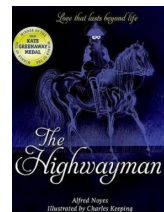
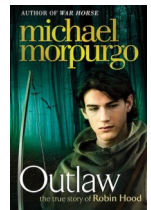
**Music** In music this term, we will be singing and playing the recorder with a focus on the dimensions of pitch and structure. To link with the enquiry, we will explore crime and punishment through sea shanties. We will learn to sing various sea shanties and we will discuss their different structures using repetition, call and response and verse/chorus. We will also recap our previous learning on the recorder and then learn to play sea shanties as well as composing some of our own in a similar style.

### Homework

**Homework** - will continue to be set on a Thursday and expected in the following Tuesday. Each week there will be a SPaG task, a maths task and the children will also be expected to practice their reading, times tables and spellings. They will be tested on these on a Friday.

### English/ Reading

In English this half term, we will be writing an empowering speech from Robin Hood to his troops. This will be inspired by our class reader text 'Outlaw' by Michael Morpurgo.



After this, we will be looking at Highway Man as our heritage text. The children will also create interviews with their chosen criminal from historical times.

### PE -

Year 5 PE days are Thursday (inside) and Friday (outside). Please could the children come into school in appropriate kit on these

### PSHE—Growing and Changing

A letter has gone out regarding the PSHE/RSE topics we will cover this term. Please speak to a member of Year 5 staff if you have any concerns.

**Science** As part of the circulatory unit, and understanding 'how do nutrients get to where they are needed in the body?', children will take part in an investigation where they have a go at making their own blood!

