

Year 5 - Week Commencing 16th October 2017

Maths

This week's focus will be multiplication. As well as focussing on times tables (an absolutely key skill which the children are doing really well at learning) we will be exploring mental methods and I will introduce the short, formal column method for multiplications, which some of the children may be familiar with.

English

This week Mrs Morgan will be teaching English, continuing with the unit on persuasive writing. The children will be practising their own short pieces of persuasion and looking at essential grammar features to help with persuasion. They will be working towards making a video persuading people to visit certain areas (Blackpool, Lake District or even Barnoldswick).

Theme

Mrs. Morgan will be wrapping up our study of Anglo Saxon Britain and the geography unit on the United Kingdom. The children will again be asked what it means to be British; we discussed this last week and I was amazed and delighted at many of their responses as they were so mature and understanding and accepting of other people, who may be different to themselves.

Extras

As last week, Mrs. White is out of school on jury service for the next fortnight and I will be taking over many of her duties. As last week, I will still be teaching the first lesson every day, until playtime.

French will be on Tuesday morning with Mme. Wardle.

On Monday the children will be going swimming in the afternoon.

P.E. will be on THURSDAY afternoon this week as we have specialist coaches from Fitness Evolution who are coming in to give boxing coaching to the children.

Maths homework is on ActiveLearn - 'Smack the Shack' - Practise mental multiplication - <https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk>

Please ask your child what their times tables focus is; they should all know their own target times table - if they are secure with all tables then their target is to speed up!

Don't forget TT Rock Stars - progress across school has been phenomenal since we began.

Spelling Focus

This week's spellings focus on morphology - can the children spot spelling patterns based on their knowledge of how other words are put together. Please encourage your child to play the spelling games for this week's list, found in their 2Dos - <https://www.purplemash.com/sch/coates-bb18>