

## AUTUMN TERM OVERVIEW YEAR 5

## First Half Term

Our theme in Year 5 this half term is 'The Blue Planet' in which we will be studying water in various forms. Within this study we will be looking at the text 'Kensuke's Kingdom'. In maths, the children will be taught in class groups, with an additional session focussing on investigative tasks, where the children will be taught in single sex groups.

As part of our creative curriculum work, we will be visiting the London Aquarium. We will also be developing computing skills through espresso coding and blogging. We will be finding out about the features of rivers and the water cycle, extending our geographical skills through this.

Our science focus is 'life cycles' where we will be examining the life cycles of animals and plants. As part of this topic the children will have the opportunity to explore the life cycles of a variety of animals as well as observe them in their natural habitats.

## Second half term

During the second half term our creative curriculum theme will be London. Within English we will be looking at the texts of Shakespeare. In maths the children will continue to build their skill base and competency across the curriculum.

As part of our creative curriculum work, we will be visiting London, where we will build on our historical knowledge of key events and settlers in London's history. We will also be creating art work and designing 3D sculptures of key London landmarks.

## Throughout the term

Swimming will take place every Friday morning.

PE will take place on Friday afternoons with Mr Johns.

In RE the children will be exploring their personal beliefs and values, where these have come from and how they impact on the children's lives. We will also link RE to key religious festivals from the religions that we are studying.

Homework and spellings will be given out every Thursday and due the following Wednesday. The children will receive a piece of maths, English and topic work which should each take 30min to complete. In addition, the children are expected to read 5 times a week for 20min (one of which should be an Active Learn book.) Reading will be checked on a Thursday. The children will also bring home weekly spellings and will be expected to practise their times tables regularly.