

Year 5 Curriculum Information

Birch Class Autumn 2 2024

ENGLISH

This half term, Birch Class will study the novel 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens. We will use this text alongside extracts from other texts to gather content and ideas enabling us to create our own pieces of writing.



We will study various other genres of texts through our daily whole class reading lessons and will also have daily grammar lessons.

MATHS

This half term, children will be developing their numerical knowledge by focusing on money negative numbers and short multiplication and division.

Alongside this, children will be working daily on their arithmetic skills and on improving the speed of their multiplication tables knowledge.



CURRICULUM

DT – We will be looking at food and nutrition with a focus on food from the past. We will be thinking about where our ingredients come from and how to make wartime biscuits.

Computing – The topic this term is, 'Game Creator' and will encourage children to think about what goes into creating a game.

Geography – Exploring Europe is the topic for this half term. We will look at different countries in Europe and how the borders of different countries have changed due to war. .

Music – We will be listening to and appraising different types of swing music before learning and performing 'Hey Mister Miller'

PE – Birch class will take part in PE lessons on **Wednesdays**. We will be learning the skills and strategies for danced through rock and roll.

Your child may come to school on their PE day in their PE kit and remain in it all day. Please ensure that children have the correct kit and are still wearing their school jumper or cardigan.

PSHE – PSHE this term will focus on Health and Wellbeing. We will focus on how we can keep healthy as we grow.

R.E - Children will be looking at the Church. We will discuss how people decide what to believe in.

Science – Our Science topic this term is Light and Astronomy. We will be learning all about the different planets in the solar system and how they move around the sun.



HOME LEARNING

It is really important that children read regularly at home. Although children must read their school reading book, they are also encouraged to read for pleasure by choosing books that are of interest to them. This can include non-fiction books, magazines, comics and newspapers as well as fictional stories.



Please try to listen to your child read at least once a week and sign their reading record to show that you have done so. Reading books and records need to be returned to school **every day**.

A homework menu will be sent home with your child each term and a link will also be included on the Birch Class webpage and on Class Dojo. Children should complete one homework of choice from the list each week and if possible, should **post a document or photograph of the completed learning on Class Dojo**.

If you do not have access to class dojo, please let me know and I will arrange access for you.

Links to various homework help pages are on the school website and include links to Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Frame.

Miss Heartfield & Ms Rozynska

PE Kit – Red t-shirt
Black shorts or leggings
Black pumps

Black joggers and trainers may be worn on PE day but children must bring shorts and pumps for the lesson.