

Theme

Best of British

Our overarching theme for this term is Best of British, encompassing life in 19th Century Britain and spanning the Industrial Revolution and Victorian era. We will study changes that occurred during this period and how this influenced the world we live in today, drawing comparisons between the past and present in the areas of technology, art, design and entertainment, as well as looking at the locations and changing landscapes of the British Isles.

English

J.K Rowling's *Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone* will be one of our first and most prominent texts within Author Craft sessions during the Autumn Term. Students will study in detail the composition style of J.K Rowling, the characteristics of her literature and how this compliments the genre of the novel. Using this as inspiration for their own writing, children will develop their crafting of character and setting descriptions as well as exploring the structures of other genres such as newspaper reports.

In addition to this, we will learn how to create, structure and perform poetry inspired by Benjamin Zephaniah's poem 'The British'. Other genres being covered this term will focus on non-fiction writing and

Creative Arts

Art - We will be studying and replicating the work of Banksy using stencilling.

Design Technology - Prepare and bake their own desserts in preparation for our very own 'Great British Bake Off'. We will be inspired by our science knowledge, and children will be designing, developing, making and evaluating their own structures.

Music - Through the work of British artists, we will be looking at rhythm and will practise and perform vocal and instrumental pieces.

Meet the Team

Class Teachers 5CH: Mrs Holmes and Mrs Chapman

Class Teacher 5T: Mr Trott

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Baker, Mr Godwin,
Mrs Hassell and Mrs Bennett.

Best of British Year 5 Autumn Term

Our Five Core Values

Express yourself, I See I wonder, More than me, Rise to the challenge and Healthy body, healthy mind.

SMSC

Exploring British values, understanding consequences of behaviour and actions and also use a range of social skills.

Mathematics

Children will complete the following Power Maths units:

- ◆ Place Value within 100,000.
- ◆ Place Value within 1,000,000
- ◆ Addition and Subtraction
- ◆ Graphs and Tables
- ◆ Multiplication and Division
- ◆ Measure—area and perimeter

Science - Materials

Developing their knowledge of materials, children will investigate, in detail, the properties of various everyday materials and utilise this knowledge to design a shelter for Scabbers the rat. Investigations will be planned and conducted on different thermal insulators, while prior knowledge of solids, liquids and gases will be employed to decide how mixtures might be separated, including through filtering, sieving and evaporating. Furthermore, in a potions style lesson, we will demonstrate dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible.

French

We will learn to discuss when we are on holiday and eating out.

Diary Dates

Friday 15th November 2024 - Year 5 Children in Need Assembly
Date TBC - Black Country Living Museum trip

P.E

P.E lessons will take place on a Tuesday and Friday for both classes. Please ensure your child wears the correct kit to school at all times, appropriate for all weather conditions. This term children will be learning the rules of handball as well as developing the skills the sport requires such as team work, ball manipulation and handling skills and tactical awareness.

PSHE

- Our British Values and their importance: democracy; the rule of law; individual liberty; mutual respect and tolerance for the beliefs of those with different faiths, beliefs and opinions.
- Learn about forming positive and respectful relationships with friends and family.

RE

- ◆ We will be looking at the importance of prayer within Christianity and the rituals undertaken during prayer.

ICT

e-Safety, Coding and Digital Art

We will continue to remind the children how to stay safe when they are online throughout the autumn term.

We will be developing an understanding of what a search engine is and how they operate, while later in the term we will channel our inner 'Video Star' and explore how to create and edit video content.

Home Learning

Homework will be set weekly, on a Friday. This will be expected to be completed for the following Friday. Longer projects may sometimes be set to complete and present. Spellings must be rehearsed at home to be tested in school every Friday. Times tables will also be tested daily. Please ensure your child practises these Times Tables Rockstars in addition to any weekly homework set.