

There will be weekly homework in spelling, English and maths. There will be also be topic homework. This will be in the form of a topic grid, which the children will select three pieces of work, of their own choice, to complete.

We are going to be starting with our first text ‘The Arrival’ by Shaun Tan. This is a graphic novel and wordless story highlighting an immigrant man’s journey told through an imaginary world. The narrative will enable the children to write their own exciting adventures; alongside this they will have the opportunities for letter writing. Our second text is A Place Called Perfect by Helen Duggan. This is an captivating mystery novel with a plucky young heroine in the form of a ten-year-old child, who is uprooted from her home and moved to live in Perfect with her family. With opportunities for diary writing and to write their own mystery, the pupils will also be exposed to sense poetry, before writing their own, and writing a biography: The Man Who Walked Between the Towers

**ENGLISH**

**USA**

**THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY**

**YEAR 5 AUTUMN 2020-2021**

**FOCUS CURRICULUM PRINCIPLES –**

**(1) VALUING ALL CHILDREN, LEARNING IS ACCESSIBLE TO ALL.**

**(2 ) BROAD, RELEVANT AND BALANCED.**

**TOPIC TITLE**

**YEAR \_**

**AUTUMN 2020 - 2021**

At the end of the first half term we will be learning about belonging and Shahada and salat.Then at the end of the term we will learn about interpretation through the study of the two Gospel narratives of the Christmas story.

Our key area of learning this term will be in geography where we will be completing a study comparing the human and physical geographical differences between the USA and the Isle of Wight. Features we will be focusing on include types of settlement, land use and distribution of natural resources whilst with physical geography we will be looking at their climate zones, biomes, vegetation belts, and mountains (USA only). We will also be looking at key events in American history and placing them on a timeline and from there focus on specific areas, which they find of interest.

***KEY AREA OF LEARNING*** - **GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY**

Year 5 will be focusing on place value and being able to compare, order and round numbers to 1 million. They will also be exploring negative numbers and Roman numerals. They will move on to practising using the column method to answer addition and subtraction questions, including problems. From there they will move to working with line graphs, tables and timetables. Before going back to calculation work and working through methods for longer multiplication and division questions.

Year 6 will be focusing on place and being to compare, order and round numbers to ten million. They will then move on to exploring the four main operations, particularly focusing on long division as well as calculations with brackets within them. We will then be looking at prime, cube and square numbers along with how to solve multi-operation questions. The rest of the half term will then be spent working with fractions. Adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing with them as well as finding fractions of amounts.

Properties and changing materials – We will be focusing on the properties and changes a variety of solids, liquids and gases can go through. Investigations involving mixing and dissolving in order to identify reversible and irreversible challenges. We will also be learning how to separate mixtures using filtering, sieving and also evaporating. The class will further be looking at the properties of specific materials and they will be working out appropriate uses for them.

Along with two E-Safety sessions at the beginning of each half term, we will be learning how to edit photos in a pop art style, edit PowerPoints to improve them, create a database on the presidents of American as well as completing a coding project.

Taking Covid restrictions into account we will be learning a range of multi skills, practicing for cross country and then finishing the term with basketball. We will also be doing weekly forest school sessions.

We will be learning about the style of painter Edward Hopper and Clarice Cliff and from this creating printing based pieces using foam and block colour painting

In order to experience popular American foods we will be tasting a range where will be reviewing them to ascertain the class’s favourite. This will lead into the creation of a pancake recipe and then the pancakes themselves.

Social – Teamwork within class.

Cultural – Looking at aspects of American history and how the country came to be (Child Led)

Moral – Looking at the moral implications of American independence, treatment of natives and land use.

Spiritual – Constant referral to issues around spirituality in worships (class and whole)

Due to restrictions from Covid we are unable to have trips or visitors but we are planning on having a risk day for the children which we will announce during the term.

During this term we will be focusing on being able to tell the time, asking a variety of questions and expressing our likes and dislikes.

We will be learning about different genres, listening to them and making comparisons, picking out key instruments. We will start with rock and then move to motown. There will also be a particular focus on rhythm.

**HOMEWORK**

**COMPUTING**

**PE**

**FRENCH**

**PSHE/SMSC**

**RE**

**MUSIC**

**DT**

**ART**

**TRIPS/VISITORS**

**MATHS**

**SCIENCE**