

Elstow School - Curriculum Overview for Year 5, Spring Term

English

This terms English work will be based around Floodland. Children will be using this story to write a character analysis, persuasive science, diary entries and develop their own settings for a story. Children will be incorporating a variety of punctuation into their writing. In addition children will be developing their sentences structures which will include revision of complex clauses and relative clauses.

Integrated into all of our English lessons is the importance of grammar and developing the children's understanding of key areas of this. This term we will be focusing on understanding the Year 5 terminology, this includes: ambiguity, cohesion, modal verbs, parenthesis, relative pronouns and relative clauses.

Art & Design

In Art we will be looking at what makes a space aesthetically pleasing to the eye. We will be designing a cushion to be made.

Computing

We will begin the term looking at e-Safety and the consequences of spending too much time online.

Children will then look at how the internet works including some understanding of search engines.

We will use the programming tool FMS logo, to build complex algorithms including repetitions. Children will also be able to identify when an algorithm doesn't work and find solutions.

Mathematics

This term in Mathematics, we will be looking at the application of prior knowledge using the four operations. Extending and mastering the skill of using both written methods and mental strategies. We will be building on prior learning to forward our understanding of number, fractions, percentages and shape including perimeter and area of different shapes.

We will also be applying all this learning to help solve word problems involving more than one step.

Design & Technology

In Design and Technology we will be learning about fabric and designing and creating our own cushions.

Geography

In Geography we will be exploring the physical features of the UK. Within The unit of work we will look at what a county is; where rivers and mountains are located and how they are connected.

Science

In science this term we will be exploring Geology, Mixtures and Separation. We will be exploring how certain materials can be mixed with, some can be dissolved and some absorbed into other materials. We will also learn that some of these changes result in the formation of other materials.

We will also be classifying rocks and looking at different types of fossil.

History

This term we will be studying the Creation of Great Britain. Within this unit of work we will be looking at the Act of Settlement and Act of Union and why these Acts were implemented.

We will look at the development of the Union Jack and how this differs from our current flag.

We will end the unit looking at Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobite rebellion.

Modern

Languages

We will begin the term by revising previous French vocabulary learnt. We will then continue to understand the difference between masculine and feminine voice.

Music

All the learning this term is focused around one song: Make You Feel my Love. We will be looking at the work of Bob Dylan as well as Adele as she sang the song also.

Physical

Education

Our PE lessons take place on Mondays and Thursdays. It is expected that children come to school already dressed in their PE kit on these days. We would also like to encourage children to have a roll-on deodorant in their school bags that they can use, particularly on these days.

Religious

Education

In RE will be learning about 'What does it mean to be a Hindu?' Over the term we will look at different aspects of the Hindu religion and will invite a Hindu guest.