

EXAMPLE: YEAR 5 SUBJECT SUMMARIES

ENGLISH

Pupils will be reading 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. The book will provide the stimulus for creative and non-fiction writing, as well as some exciting drama activities. Weekly reading lessons will focus on developing the children's comprehension skills and furthering their understanding of VIPERS questions across a range of genres. There will be plenty of opportunities for cross-curricular writing linked to our history topic. Following this, children will study poetry, with a focus on Edgar Allan Poe's 'The Raven'.

MATHS

Pupils will continue to develop their arithmetic skills, to include the use of decimals and fractions, throughout this term. They will also study position and direction, statistics and capacity and volume. There will be an emphasis on application of key knowledge in problem-solving contexts.

SCIENCE

Pupils will be investigating different materials and their properties. They will be looking at animals and plants and how to classify them. They will also look at how animals have adapted to suit their environment.

ART

This term the 'Bodies' themed unit will teach children about how to skillfully use pen, charcoal, felt tip, make maquettes, create paper clothes and sculpt Giacometti-inspired models to create quality artwork that develops progression in skills. The children will also have the opportunity to explore the work of 'Bodies' artists Julian Opie, Alberto Giacometti and Henry Moore.

FRENCH

In French, pupils will continue to work on sentence structure and key vocabulary. There will be a focus on talking about school life.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

During this term, Year 5 will cover a range of physical activities including cricket (for boys), tennis, rounders (for girls) and athletics. In games, the programme is aimed to develop an increased level of understanding of basic tactics and rules, and how to apply these in a competitive environment. In athletics, pupils will be given the opportunity to improve in a variety of individual events and their performances will be recorded and monitored. There will also be some preparation work for sports day, which takes place this term.

GEOGRAPHY

Year 5 pupils will study the topic of 'Climate Change'. They will explore how the exploitation of fossil fuels has resulted in a release of greenhouse gases, and how that has in turn resulted in global warming. Pupils will consider how these factors affect the whole world, and how they can play a part in protecting our environment.

HISTORY

This term, the children will be learning about the Victorian Era. Pupils will be exploring life at this time, with a particular emphasis on the lives of children. They will learn about many aspects, including inventions, railways, schools and the Empire. The children's understanding will be further developed through close links with our class novel, 'Street Child'.

ICT

Pupils will use software and digital devices for recording sound. With a topic based around the theme of a radio station, pupils will have the opportunity to work creatively to carry out interviews, make adverts and use jingles. Children will also review how to carry out strategic searches online.

MUSIC

Pupils will compose melodies harmonised by sustained and repetitive accompaniments. Listening material includes music depicting a musical clock and English folk songs. Pupils will continue with regular keyboard playing to help develop their note recognition and awareness of rhythmic patterns. Songs for the performance at the end of term form part of the singing activities.

PSHE/RSE

Pupils will cover two topics this term: 'TEAM' and 'It's My Body'. During the 'TEAM' topic they will cover areas such as teamwork, communication and collaboration. In the second half of the Summer Term, children will learn about taking care of their body and how to make informed choices. They will also cover puberty.

RS

Pupils will study the topic 'Forgiveness'. They will focus on understanding what is meant by forgiveness, and use drama activities to show the feelings involved when forgiving someone and when being forgiven. They will study the role that forgiveness plays in world religions.

TECHNOLOGY

Children will be given the opportunity to further develop their understanding of mechanical systems. They will learn about controlling movement with a cam system. In addition, children will learn about seasonal cooking.