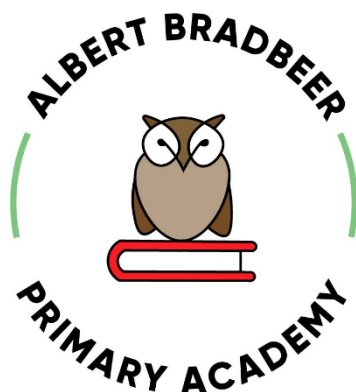


# Curriculum Newsletter



## Year 5 Autumn 1

<b>Important Dates</b>
PE day – Friday
Swimming day – Tuesday
Harvest Festival – Afternoon of 2 <sup>nd</sup> October
Cancer Research Cake Sale – w.b 30.09.24
Shared class breakfast – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September

<b>Year 5 Team</b>
Mr O'Neill – 5ON Teacher
Mr Marshall – 5M Teacher
Miss Mumtaz – Teaching Assistant
Miss Beddoes – Teaching Assistant

## Maths

Mathematics is a huge focus and we will teach this daily to our children.

The main topics that we will be covering this half term are:

- Place value with numbers up to 1,000,000
- Multi-step additions and subtraction problems
- Rounding and checking calculations
- Understanding factors, multiples, square and cubed numbers.

Each week we will be continuing our understanding of arithmetic and completing short quizzes to help improve our understanding.

It is still vital that the children continue to spend some time at home each week practising their times tables using TT rockstars.

## English

### Reading

Reading is the gateway to all learning, so really is a fundamental part of everything we do in school.

This term, our class reader is the fantastic children's novel – Secrets of a Sun King.

### Writing

Our narrative writing this half term will focus on a 'warning tale', whereby something is found but there are dire consequences to the finder, unless the item is relocated to its original place!

Children will practice a variety of writing techniques within this including; using commas and dashes to create clauses, using a thesaurus to improve word choice and also ensuring that tenses are correct in writing, amongst many other things along the way.

This year we will also be ensuring that there is daily handwriting as neat presentation must be consistent as a life skill we wish to promote.

## **Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar**

Spelling will be a focus twice weekly; children will also have weekly SPaG learning. SPaG will focus on sentence types, punctuation such as using apostrophes for omission, grammatical terms and applications within sentence writing.

## **Science**

This half term we will be studying 'properties and changes of materials' and will be looking at what constitutes reversible and irreversible changes. We will be conducting experiments to answer 'big questions' such as: How can we separate mixtures? What makes a difference to how fast sugar or salt dissolves? What new substances can you make? And, what happens when a candle burns?

## **Non-core Curriculum**

### **History- Pharaohs**

This half term, children will learn about the achievements of one of the earliest civilizations, through the study of ancient Egypt. They will know who the Egyptians were, why they settled where they did and how they became well established by looking at significant people, artefacts, landmarks and their beliefs. The significant individual we will focus on is Ramesses the Great. The children will know how the ancient Egyptians contributed to the UK or wider world.

### **Art**

In Art, we will focus on progressing our seven techniques. They are; colour, texture, form, tone and line. For example, we will use a wider range of techniques and resources to show texture in our

work and develop a wider knowledge for form in order to create street art.

## **RE**

Key concepts and ideas we will cover this half-term, will help us to answer the following questions:

What does it mean to care?

How do you show that you care?

Who cares for us?

What do Christians believe about how we care for each other?

What do Sikhs believe about caring for each other?

Why do Muslims feel that it is their duty to give to the poor?

How does it feel to help others?

## **PSHE**

### **JIGSAW**

We will focus on 'Being Me in My World', which will examine more closely our journey ahead for the year, the correct behaviours and learning habits that we must exhibit as well as the rights and responsibilities we have not only as a citizen of the school, but as citizens in our local community and the wider world. Here at Albert Bradbeer we pride ourselves on ensuring that our children are responsible and caring to themselves and others and PSHE plays an important part within this.

## **PE**

During this half-term, the children will continue to go swimming, which will take place every Tuesday. This is a key part of the curriculum and also a life skill which may one day save lives, as well as making children fitter and more confident. Please ensure that the children have their swimming kits every Tuesday.

## **Curriculum Promise**

As part of our curriculum promise at Albert Bradbeer, this half term the children will be taking part in:

- Class shared breakfast
- Harvest.
- Black History Month