

Year 5/6 Curriculum Information

Spring 1



<p>Home Learning: All children in Year 5 are expected to complete a short amount of SATs Companion work per week. There will also be a short quiz for Word Study each week. This will be set on a Tuesday. Year 6 will be receiving their CGP homework books and are expected to complete one SPAG, maths and reading test per week. We will check that these have been completed the following week and children will be invited to 'home learning club' to complete any unfinished work.</p>	<p>PE: Lions and Rhinos: PE – Tuesday & Thursday Giraffes and Orangutans: PE – Thursday & Friday Outdoor Learning: Lions and Rhinos: This will take place on alternate weeks every Tuesday. Giraffes and Koalas: This will take place on alternate weeks every Wednesday. Library: Orangutans and Giraffes: Monday Lions and Rhinos: Friday</p>	<p>Shared Learning/ Theme Outcome: Year 5 - Our shared learning is Wednesday 14th January at 9:00am Year 6 - Our shared learning is Thursday 15th January at 9:00am Ashmolean museum trip: Year 5 – Wednesday 28th January Year 6 – Thursday 29th January Details for this trip have sent out separately; if you have any questions, please direct them to your child's teacher.</p>
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<p>English The text we will be enjoying as a class is "Lost" by Ele Fountain. Both year groups will also be doing work with various books about Ancient Civilisations, in preparation for their theme week in Week 2. Later in the half term, we will be using Lost to inspire our own writing. In order to successfully complete a variety of fiction and non-fiction writing, the children will be learning new, and revising old, writing skills. We will also be continuing our reading skills learning and word study. Please record any reading done at home on your child's bookmark by initialling on it and writing the date.</p>	<p>Maths The units which will be covered in the first half term include: Year 5: Number and Place Value – negative numbers and rounding; Addition and Subtraction – mental strategies and methods in context; Measures – converting between measures, time; Geometry – drawing and measuring angles; Statistics – reading and interpreting timetables. Year 6: Percentages – converting between fractions, decimals and percentages; Area and Perimeter – area of a triangle, area of a parallelogram, measuring angles; Angles – in triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons; Statistics – Line graphs, dual bar charts, pie charts.</p>	<p>Science This half term we will be learning about Forces. They will learn that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air resistance and water resistance are forces against motion caused by objects having to move air and water out of the way. Friction is a force against motion caused by two surfaces rubbing against each other. <p>Theme Through our theme of 'Ancient Civilisations' the children will be learning about</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The achievements of: Ancient Sumer, Ancient Egypt, The Shang Dynasty and The Indus Valley Civilisation. When and where these civilisations happened and what else was happening in the world at the time.
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Ancient Civilisations

Ancient Sumer

The Ancient Sumer civilisation was based around the Euphrates and Tigris River in Mesopotamia. The Sumerian Civilisation began as small villages but became famous for creating a larger chain of cities. This also meant that a 'class' system developed and Sumerians were able to take up many other job roles than farming. They also created the clock system as we know it today.



Shang Dynasty

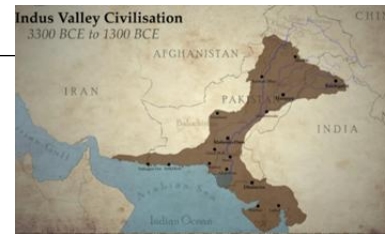
The Shang Dynasty were the first Chinese Dynasty with written records. They came to power in around 1600BC. They ruled an area around the Yellow River Valley which meant they had rich and fertile land. The Shang Dynasty worshipped one 'supreme' God, but they also worshipped the Gods of the wind, sun, cloud and moon. They also discovered bronze in their area, calendars with 12 months and a style of chariot.



Indus Valley

The Indus Valley Civilisation were based around the Indus River, which runs through what we now call Pakistan, between 3300BC and 1300BC. They were the first people to create cities and to give them capital cities.

The Indus River dried up which led to their decline.



Ancient Egypt

The majority of the Ancient Egyptian civilisation was placed along the Nile River. They created a sophisticated writing system called 'hieroglyphs' and some amazing constructions, such as the pyramids and the sphinx.

They worshipped over 2000 Gods and Goddesses, who they believed controlled the world. They were typically human with animal features.

