



Canada
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Year 5
Spring 2 Newsletter



Mexico
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English

This term, Year 5 will be exploring Colin Dann's popular narrative *The Animals of Farthing Wood*. We will use this to as to help instigate our curiosity about this term's theme of Lifecycles. In Reading, we will look in depth about how to do a character analysis and learn to summarise extracts from a text.

We will write a continuation of the narrative, where we will learn to build tension and describe a character's personality through their actions and words. We will also write a non-fiction explanation text about how to create a meadow and use our scientific knowledge and research from this term's theme of lifecycles.

Maths

This half term we will be continuing to work on fractions and decimals.

Children will learn to :

- Find equivalent fractions
- Convert fractions to decimals
- Understand thousandths as decimals

We will also continue to practice using the four operations in arithmetic.

Topic

Our Science topic this half term will be Life Cycles. We will be looking at the life cycles of amphibians, mammals and insects. We will also learn about changes in humans' lifecycle i.e. infant to baby or child to adult.

We will investigate and compare flowering and non-flowering plants such as conifers or ferns V angiosperms.

PE

In PE, we will be playing Tag Rugby. We will develop skills such as balance and body control and the importance of spatial awareness when working in a team.

We will also learn about coordination and flexibility when doing Dance.

Art/ DT

This half term, children will focusing on developing their drawing skills, with a specific emphasis on techniques like line, tone, pattern and texture. Children will also focus on perspective and depth and draw a range of 2D images that have an illusion of depth

Reminders

- ✓ All children should read for 20 minutes every night and should bring their reading book each day.
- ✓ Planners **must** be signed by parents every day
- ✓ **Homework is given out on a Wednesday and is handed in on the following Monday**
- ✓ Creative homework pieces can be brought in at any time
- ✓ PE Kits are needed on Wednesdays and Thursdays
- ✓ When it is your child's birthday, they are allowed to come in non-uniform
- ✓ Learn multiplication and division facts to 12.
- ✓ We are a nut-free school, so please bear this in mind if your child brings packed lunches
- ✓ If your child would like water during lessons, they should purchase a school water bottle for £1.