



Coppice Academy

Year 5 Spring Term Newsletter



Happy New Year to you all! We hope that you have had a brilliant and fun-filled Christmas holiday and are ready to dive into the new Spring Term.

Yet again we have lots of interesting experiences and opportunities planned to really hook and build curiosity for the world they live in. Below you will find an overview of what is coming this term. Be sure to check out the days for PE and a gentle reminder to complete daily reading. Please don't forget to check that your Times Table Rock Stars, Century and Spelling Shed log ins are working in order to reinforce learning in school.

English

Reading : This half term, we will be reading the non-fiction Text 'Can you get Rainbows in Space?' It is a fact-filled book that we know the children will really enjoy.



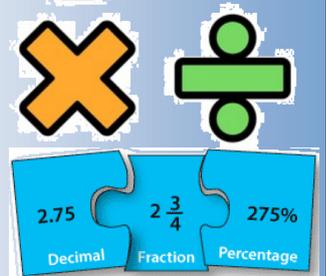
Writing : We will be using visual literacy to help produce a setting description and to learn how to build suspense.

Maths

We are deepening our learning of multiplication and division. As well as further diving into fractions and expanding into decimals and percentages.

You can help your child by: making sure that they are completing their Maths work on

Century each week and exploring some of the extra nuggets it suggests.



History



Throughout the Spring Term we will be exploring the fascinating lives of Anglo Saxons and Vikings. We are learning all about them as invaders and how they impacted the lives of Britons when they arrived. We will look at primary and secondary sources to investigate what this tells us about their life, including their food, houses, jobs, weapons, transport, rulers and where they raided.

Music

We will be learning to play the guitar in our weekly lessons with Mr Webb, our specialist music teacher.

We are now working towards our Summer Concert and building on our new skills and musical knowledge.



RE

We will be learning about Sikhism.



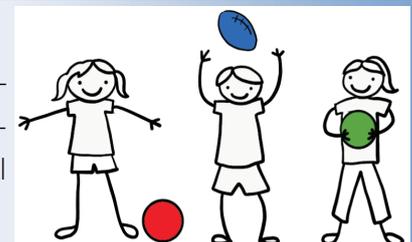
French



We are continuing our study of French looking at hobbies and school trips.

PE

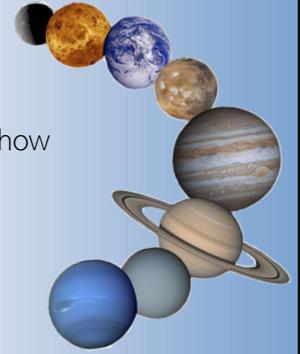
In our teacher led PE lessons, we will be focusing on gymnastics. In our session with the Sports Coaches they will be helping the children with their invasion games skills, focusing on effective use of space, marking and special awareness.





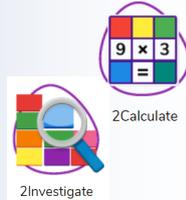
Science

Our topics this term are forces and Space. We will first be learning about friction, gravity, air and water resistance and then during our Space unit, we will learn about the sun, Earth and moon, how we get day and night and we will learn all about the different planets. We will also be visiting and having a guided tour around the Space Centre in Leicester to learn and explore our Solar System. We will also take part in The Planetarium Show. It promises to be a fantastic experience for everyone!



Computing

This term we will be using Purple Mash to learn spreadsheets, databases and concept maps.



Art / DT



In the first half term we will be exploring the abstract art of Peter Thorpe whose work also fits in with our second Science topic of Space, as he is known for his rocket based artwork.

In the second half term we will move onto DT and designing and building our own space buggies.



PSHE

This term we will be exploring the themes of dreams and goals and how to be the best healthy version of ourselves we can be.



Key Information

Please remember to send your child to school with the following:

- Wear P.E. kit on Tuesday and Wednesdays.
- Homework is sent out on a Wednesday and should be returned on Monday.
- Reading book and Reading Diary should be in school every day (signed daily).
- Water bottle with plain water
- Healthy snack for morning break (fruit or vegetables only please).
- Dressed in correct school uniform, with a suitable coat in case of rain.
- No earrings.
- Hair should be tied back neatly if it is longer than the shoulder.
- Bring glasses if needed.