

# EAST SHEEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## YEAR FIVE CURRICULUM BULLETIN AUTUMN TERM

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### Classes 5FH, 5B and 5S

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another fun, rewarding and busy year at ESPS!

This is the first of our termly bulletins where we aim to provide you with information concerning areas of the curriculum and important dates for the term ahead. A home/school timetable is also attached for your reference.

**You are invited to the Year 5 Curriculum Evening on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September, at 7pm in the school hall.**

### Homework

- **Reading** (daily): We expect children to spend **30 minutes a night reading** independently and, where possible, with an adult. The children must bring their Reading Record to school each day and take it home each evening to record their reading. On a weekly basis, the children will have the opportunity to quiz on the books they have read, testing their vocabulary and comprehension knowledge through the [Renaissance Reading](#) Scheme.
- **MyMaths** (set Thursday completed by Wednesday): This will be based on the lessons covered during the week. Children are expected to continue to learn their times tables using times table rockstars.
- **Spellings**: (assessed Thursdays) These are issued at the beginning of each term (and can be found on the school website). These will highlight the spelling rule that we will teach the children each week. On a weekly basis, the children will be given five words that follow the same spelling rule and we would encourage them to investigate other words that contain this spelling rule as part of their homework. The children will be tested on the five words plus an additional five words.

### PE Kit

We would ask for your assistance in ensuring that your child arrives to school in his/her **correct** PE kit on **Mondays and Fridays**. The correct PE kit is made up of the school blue PE t-shirt, a pair of black shorts for indoor wear and a pair of black tracksuit bottoms for outdoor wear and sturdy trainers. Please note that football tops are NOT permitted.

### English

Our lessons cover all aspects of reading, writing, grammar and punctuation and spoken language. The children will study a wide selection of fiction and non-fiction texts throughout the year and develop their learning through many drama opportunities. A range of interesting texts will be explored this year including 'The Highwayman' and 'Beowulf'.

### Maths

All maths work will be taught in accordance with the National Curriculum. This term we will cover: number and place value, addition and subtraction, statistics, multiplication and division and perimeter and area. These will be taught through the use of mathematical manipulatives and visual aids. We assess times-tables **each Thursday** (the children will be made aware of which tables to focus on each week), arithmetic and mental maths are covered on a bi-weekly basis.

### Science – Properties and Changes of Materials

The children will study 'Properties and Changes of Materials' and explore concepts such as reversible and irreversible changes. We plan, carry out and evaluate a range of investigations and experimental activities.

## **Computing**

Through the year, we constantly refresh our knowledge and skills in e-safety. We will learn about potential online dangers.

Unit 1 Search Engines: Before half-term, children will learn how search engines work. We will learn to use key words and phrases; and how to identify inaccurate information.

Unit 2 Programming of Music: After half-term, children will use their coding skills to create sounds and melodies

## **History – Anglo-Saxons and Vikings**

The children will learn about different aspects of Anglo-Saxon Britain and The Vikings. This includes their lives, origins, travel and exploration, mythology and warfare.

## **PSHE & RE**

In PSHE lessons, we will continue to use Jigsaw, the mindful approach to PSHE (Personal, Social, Health Education) which is a teaching and learning programme that includes the statutory RSHE (Relationships, Sex and Health Education) curriculum and has a strong focus on emotional and mental health and wellbeing. This term, the children will cover 'Being Me in My World' and in RE we will be studying Sikhism.

## **Thinking Schools**

The children will continue to use tools from their 'Thinking School' toolkit, including thinking maps, thinking hats and habits of mind. The 'Thinking School' methodologies aim to equip children with the thinking skills needed to effectively tackle problems across and beyond the curriculum, both at school and in the future, through deep and critical thinking.

## **Music**

This year, children will be taught music by specialist teacher, Miss Imogen Ridge. As well as weekly singing assemblies and regular singing in class, children will listen to, perform and explore a wide range of music. In Year 5 this term, the children will be exploring pulse, rhythm and rounds.

## **Art and D&T - Pop Art and Viking Jewellery Making**

In art we will use different media and techniques, as well as looking at the origins of Pop Art and some of its more famous artists. In D&T, the children will research and make their own jewellery pieces, having first looked at runes and other Viking symbols.

## **Physical Education (PE)**

Friday sessions are led by sports coaches from the company NSSport. Children will take part in tag rugby, hockey and basketball. In indoor PE, the children will be taking part in gymnastics and invasion games.

Do please come and see us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Jade Fuller, Carla Hunter, Felicity Sanders and Ali Barnes.

**Useful Links:**

[Renaissance Reading](#)

Home connect – use this link to view the books read, points and quiz results for your child.

[Book Finder](#) – use book finder to view book recommendations for your child and see what books we have in our library using this code:

Key code: KJ892563

[Book Trust](#) – this is another great website to find book recommendations for your child.

[Mymaths](#) - weekly set homework

[TT Rockstars](#) - for weekly practise of times tables

## **YEAR 5**

### **HOME/SCHOOL TIMETABLE**

MONDAY	✓ Arrive to school in PE kit
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	✓ Mymaths due in
THURSDAY	✓ MyMaths homework issued ✓ Spelling test ✓ Times Tables Test
FRIDAY	✓ Arrive to school in PE kit