

Year 5 Term 2

Curriculum Overview

Blean Primary School



Learning Together to
Enjoy and Achieve

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to welcome you back to Term 2. This term our over-arching theme is "Can we be trusted with Space?" This will incorporate our Golden threads of Conservation and Sustainability.

English:

This term's class text is "Cosmic" by Frank Cottrell Boyce. We will again be following a cross-curricular approach with our Science topic: "Earth in Space." Sentence structure, presentation and accuracy of punctuation will be a key focus and we will also continue to develop reading comprehension skills, particularly inference, together with relative clauses and punctuating speech.

Maths:

We will be moving on to fractions as our new unit of learning, beginning with a revision of equivalent fractions and mixed numbers. Number fluency will remain a key focus throughout. After this, we will move on to multiplication and division with larger numbers.

Science:

Our Science topic is Space. We will be looking at the planets and solar system, finding out about night and day and the phases of the moon and conducting lots of practical experiments. Our virtual reality workshop is our introduction to this exciting topic and we are looking forward to sharing our learning with you at an upcoming parent share.

R.E.:

Our theme is 'How Christians try to live by the values of Jesus Christ'. We will think about what Jesus taught and how Christians have tried to apply these values in modern life.

PSHE:

This term our PSHE theme is "What it means to be a citizen of my country." We will be encouraging children to develop respect for cultures different from their own.

PE: Our indoor PE session will be on **Thursdays** and we will be continuing to learn about fitness and circuits.

Games: Our outdoor session will be on **Monday** afternoons and will be handball.

Music:

The children will be developing their use of musical terminology and notation, recognising note lengths and clapping rhythms. They will also be listening and responding to music from Holst's "The Planets" in a cross curricular link to our Science topic on Space.

Spanish:

Year 5 will learn about cities in Spain, write simple descriptions to describe a city, and learn how to give directions. They will also learn Christmas vocabulary and design a festive jumper.

Art:

We will begin by spending some time exploring the work of Jackson Pollack and creating our own splatter paintings and experimenting with printing blocks, before completing a collaborative "Earth in Space" piece. We will also be practising our skills to make a 3D pop up.

Computing:

Children will learn how to create short videos by working in groups. Throughout this unit, they will be exposed to topic-based language and develop the skills of capturing, editing and manipulating video.

If you have any questions please send an email or note into school.
Thank you,
The Year 5 team.

Home Learning will be given out on **Thursdays** to be completed and handed in on **Tuesdays**. Please encourage your child to read as regularly as possible, discuss their reading with them and record the books they have read in their reading journal.