

English

This term we will be focusing on the Dickens classic, Oliver Twist, as part of our topic of the Victorians. This will be continued after half term as we delve into the haunting tale of A Christmas Carol. We will also be reading War Games by Michael Foreman to link to Remembrance Day, this is a story based on the real life game of football on no mans land on Christmas Day during World War 1.

As we read these texts we will be writing in a wide variety of genres, adapting our skills learnt each time.

Our 'non negotiables' for writing in Year 5 (things we expect your child to include in each piece of writing without reminding) will be shared with your children in our first week, they are: capital letters to mark the beginning of sentences and proper nouns, to end sentences with a form of punctuation (at least a full stop, question mark or explanation mark), to consistently use past/present tense, to use conjunctions in a range of sentence types. These are all things they have shown they are able to do in previous years.

Mathematics

This term children will begin their Numeracy work looking at the place value of numbers up to and beyond 1 million. We will be looking at mental calculations for each of the four



operations and then using this to solve written formal methods. They will also be using these skills to solve application and reasoning questions.

In geometry we will be looking at classifying and identifying 2D and 3D shapes, and looking at reflecting and tessellating these. We will also be revising coordinates.

We will be further developing our knowledge of fractions and percentages and converting or finding equivalences between these, beginning with tenths.

Science

In Science in Autumn term we will be looking at Properties and Changes of Materials. We will be identifying how a solution is formed via dissolving and how to recover the solid from the solution. We will also be identifying reversible and irreversible change through enquiries. During our Science lessons we will be improving our Working Scientifically knowledge of enquiry and investigation, including identifying and changing variables in fair tests.

History:

We will be focusing on the Victorians this term, looking at key events in the Victorian era, the life of rich and poor Victorians and researching using different sources to find further information about the industry and changes of this time.

Geography:

We will use our map skills to compare the changes of leadership from the British Empire of the Victorian times to the Commonwealth of today.

D&T /Art/Music:

In Art we will be focusing on a famous Victorian artist, William Morris. We will be looking at some of his most famous pieces in real life during our trip to Wightwick Manor.

In Music we will be appraising and performing 'Food Glorious Food' from the musical version of Oliver Twist.

French:

This term we will be reviewing counting up to 60 *en francias*. We will also be revising the days of the week, months of the year - both conversing and writing using these.

Computing:

In computing this term we will be using a range of software to input, edit and use sound to program, we will also be using sound to add effects to the performances of our writing.

RE:

We will be looking at how different faiths pray and will be comparing the prayer of the Muslim, Jewish and Hindu faiths.

P.E./Games

We will begin the term by looking at Cheerleading in our Dance lessons, learning new skills and performing. After half term we will be learning new football skills to play games, including a reenactment of the famous WW1 Christmas day match to acknowledge Remembrance Day. Please ensure that your child has their PE Kit for Tuesday.

PSHE:

We will be looking at our new beginnings in Year 5—our rules and responsibilities in our new year group.

We will also be looking at our personal safety, including how to stay safe

As part of our Social, Moral ,Spiritual and Cultural curriculum we will continue to interweave our school motto and core values into everything we do. Motto:

Perry Hall Primary, a place to grow in confidence, creativity and ability.

At Perry Hall we are...

Respectful, Caring, Determined (we never give up), Enthusiastic, Independent, Motivated.

Helping Your Child At Home

It is expected that by the end of last year your child now knows their times tables for up to 12x12 and the related division facts, please support your child by continuing to practice these frequently. Your child will bring home their reading book each week, please share this with them, including questioning them about the content and their opinion of it. Your child will also be tested frequently on spellings they will need to know by the end of Y6, examples of these will be included in their weekly spelling test and will be sent home for you to practise with your child in addition to their weekly homework tasks.

Autumn Term 2017 Dates

- Roald Dahl dress Up Day—Friday 15th September
- Parents Evening—Thursday 28th September
- Perry Hall Macmillan Coffee morning for our parents Friday 29th September 8.45—9.30 am
- Black History Month—October—details to follow
- •Year 1 & 2 Harvest Assembly 2.30 pm Wednesday 11th October
- Year 3 and 4 Harvest Assembly 1.30pm Thursday 12th October
- Year 5 & 6 Harvest Assembly 2.30 pm Thursday 12th October
- School Disco Wednesday 18th October KS1 3.15 –4.15pm KS2 4.30-5.45pm
- Diwali Activities with Parents / Carers Thursday 19th October:
 - •10.00–11.30 Diwali morning for AM Two's and AM Nursery.
 - •1.30 Diwali afternoon for PM Two's and Nursery
 - •2.00 Diwali afternoon whole school

Half term Break: Monday 23th October —Friday 27th October

- •Wearing Red for Remembrance —Friday 10th November
- Christmas performance—dates to be confirmed

End of term:

2's and Nursery 19th December Wednesday 20th December at 1.15pm