



Browney Academy



Curriculum Information

Year 5
Summer 2 2024

We've had another fantastic half-term in Year 5!

This term, we immersed ourselves in the fascinating world of Ancient Greek civilizations. We explored artefacts, examined primary sources, and delved into many captivating myths and legends.

Next half-term promises to be just as exciting. We'll be consolidating our knowledge in maths and English, conducting more experiments in science, and embarking on a new design and technology project. We're also eagerly anticipating our trip and workshop at Beamish!

As we approach the end of term, we'll begin preparing for the transition into Year 6 too.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to send an email, get in touch on the phone, or catch me on the yard; I am always happy to help!

I hope the children have a lovely break and come back ready for their final half-term of Year 5.

Thank you
Mrs Gibson 😊





Maths

We have now started 'Geometry,' which is an exciting, practical unit quickly developing children's ability to identify, measure and draw different types of angles using a protractor. Our next units take us to working with 'Position and Movement,' 'Measurements' and 'Area and Perimeter.' To finish the year, we will recap our knowledge of Roman Numerals. We will be consolidating all skills in weekly arithmetic sessions. Quick times table recall is essential for all areas of maths, so please encourage your child to keep practising at home as much as possible.



English

Year 5 have worked hard in English this term, writing more and more independently whilst taking control of developing their characters, settings and story lines. We have enjoyed exploring the mystery genre when reading the Nowhere Emporium, as well as using animation videos to spark our imagination. Our non-fiction for this half term will be focused on explanations and we will be looking at documentaries. In grammar, we will be developing our understanding of tense and will keep practising identifying parts of complex sentences.



Reading

The children will continue to have daily reading lessons where they will be reading some new, challenging texts and learn how to answer comprehension questions in detail. We will draw together our learning by answering VIPERS questions: vocabulary, inference, prediction, explanation, retrieval, summarising and sequencing. Our text types include fiction, poetry and non-fiction. Our focus this half term is on extending our answers to include evidence for 2- and 3-mark questions.



Home Reading

Many of the children in Year 5 reached their targets again this half term, working particularly hard in the last few weeks. Well done! Reading at home is extremely important in order for children to make progress in line with the curriculum, an essential skill for all subjects. Please ensure your child reads as much as they can at home. Reading 4x a week at home, signed by an adult, rewards pupils with a reading raffle for a chance to win a prize!



Science - Forces

Can you feel the force? This is a largely practical unit of work where children will have the opportunity to explore the difference forces outlined in the national curriculum first-hand. Children will be required to design and build fair tests, with the main enquiry idea developing the notion of pattern seeking, and finding causal relationships.



History – Groundbreaking Greeks

This half term we will continue to explore our Ground-breaking Greeks project. This continues to teach children about developments and changes over six periods of ancient Greek history, focusing on the city state of Athens in the Classical age, and exploring the lasting legacy of ancient Greece!



Design and Technology

This project teaches children about how architectural style and technology has developed over time. The children will then use this knowledge to design a building with specific features.



RE

Our RE focus for this half term will be Christianity. In this unit, we will be looking at what Pentecost means to Christians.

PE

The children will continue to have their weekly PE sessions with our PE coach on a Wednesday.



Homework and Spellings

The children have been enjoying using Freckle a little more in school this half term. Children can access this maths programme at home too. Remember to keep practising your times tables on TTRS and access spellings with definitions on Spelling Shed for a weekly test on a Friday!



PSHE and Wellbeing

Our PSHE this half term will focus on aspiration and careers, as well as growing up and changes that happen during puberty. June's value of the month is **Mindfulness** and July's value of the month is **Equality**.