

Welcome to Life in Year 5 – Spring Term 2nd Half.

Mrs James and Mrs Ashworth are here to guide and support your child's time in Year 5 as they continue on their learning journey. You will find below an overview of each subject for this half term. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

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Spring Term 2nd Half – Earthlings

In this **Science** based theme, we learn about the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system.



In **English**, the children will write information booklets about The Solar System which includes more than one non-fiction text type, e.g. non-chronological report, instructions and explanation (linked to learning opportunities in science). They will also explore Haiku and Limerick spaced themed poetry.

In **Art**, inspired by abstract painters such as Kandinsky, the children will explore and create abstract paintings including collage work for imaginary planet surfaces.



In **Geography**, the children will learn how Blackpool has grown to become one of the UK's favourite seaside resorts? They will focus on the questions: Where is Blackpool situated and how has the resort changed? How did Blackpool grow to become one of the UK's favourite seaside resorts? What do we learn from Blackpool's coastline? How can maps help us to find out about Blackpool and Helmshore? What special attractions draw people to Blackpool?

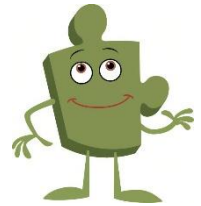
In **Music**, the children will be listening to high quality recorded music and learning the songs for Lancashire Sings 2026.

In **Computing**, through the topic 'iWeb' the children will understand computer networks including the internet; how they can provide multiple services, such as the World Wide Web; and the opportunities they offer for communication and collaboration.

In **RE**, our key question throughout Year 5 is, 'Where do we find guidance about how to live our lives?' This half term the children will study Christianity. They will explore the questions: What do we mean by a miracle? What miracles did Jesus perform? What does it mean to be divine? What was Jesus' ultimate miracle? Where do Christians go on pilgrimage? What are my views on miracles?



For **PSHE**, the children will study 'Relationships'. They will learn that: a personality is made up of many different characteristics, qualities and attributes; that belonging to an online community can have positive and negative consequences; that there are rights and responsibilities in an online community or social network; that there are rights and responsibilities when playing a game online; that too much screen time isn't healthy and to know how to stay safe when using technology to communicate with friends.



In **PE**, our focus this half term will be on Dance - linked to our Earthlings topic and OAA learning to communicate effectively, trust others to solve problems and take responsibility for others.

In **Maths**, we will be covering:

Fractions

Measures (volume) and statistics

Geometry

Problem Solving including Bar Modelling

adding fractions

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