

Our topic for this half term in Year 5 is Raging Rivers



Raging Rivers

In Maths we will:

- convert units of length, mass and time
- find the area and perimeter of compound shapes
- find the volume of solids and containers
- use Roman Numerals

In Literacy we will:

- write a descriptive story
- write an explanation
- write descriptive poetry
- write the diary of a raindrop
- Continue to improve sentence construction through our work on grammar and punctuation.
- continue to learn spelling patterns and apply them in our writing

In PSHE we will:

- recognise changes
- develop interpersonal skills



In I.P.C. we will:

- learn about the water cycle
- learn about the stages of a river
- identify major rivers in our world and country
- learn about erosion and deposition
- learn about river use
- learn about how humans control rivers

In the Creative Arts we will:

- create water colour paintings
- create nature sketches
- study art from around the world

In Computing we will:

- create concept maps
- research about rivers

In R.E. we will:

- explore the theme of Christian commitment to God.

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How can you help?

Thank you for your continued interest in your child's work. If your child has some work to research, please help them to develop their research skills. We would love to receive any home learning projects you have completed which relate to our topic.

Please encourage your child to complete their homework on time and to a high standard. Also ensure that your child practices their weekly spellings and multiplication tables at home.

Home Learning

Home learning is an opportunity for you to support your child's learning in school. This helps you to know what they have been learning and spend time with your child reinforcing these skills.

Homework	Handed out	Due in
Maths	Monday	Friday
English	Monday	Friday
IPC	Half Term Project	
Spellings	Monday	Test on Monday
Reading	Daily	Daily

Please ensure that your child completes the weekly homework neatly and returns it promptly.



Reading

In class this term we will be reading 'Journey to the River Sea' by Eve Ibbotson which explores the life of an orphan who moves to live in the Amazon. Please continue to encourage your child to read nightly at home and sign in their homework diary when they do so, in order for them to be entered into our termly reading competition.

Wow Day

We hope to be starting our topic with a trip to Wessex Water Recycling centre to investigate how water is cleaned, how environmental change affects water and how we can protect our rivers and seas. We will also walk along part of the River Stour to look at river features and explore life along our river banks.

Uniform



Most Year 5 children continue to look very smart and, as we are aiming to maintain a high standard this term, please continue to ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform including appropriate footwear. We expect top buttons of shirts to be done up and ties to be pulled right up, so please ensure that your child's shirt is large enough. All uniform should be named. New jumpers are available in the office if sleeves are looking tatty. Please ensure haircuts adhere to school policy and are not extreme.

PE Kit

Year 5 have their PE lessons on a Monday (5VE), Tuesday (5MM) and Friday (5JS). Please ensure your child has a plain white tee shirt, blue shorts and plimsols in school on these days. All items of P.E. kit should be clearly named.

