

Nevill Road Junior School 2015-2016



Welcome to Year 5

Topics we will be covering: Space and North and Central America

This term we will be focussing on the following areas and skills:

English

During our topic on Space we will be writing Science Fiction stories and biographies.

During our topic on North America we will be writing persuasive texts and recounts.

Maths

This term we will continue to work on our calculation skills.

We will also focus on:

- Using written methods to add, subtract, divide and multiply
- Solving One and 2 step word problems
- Developing our reasoning skills
- Fractions, Decimals and percentages
- Reflecting and translating shapes

Science and Topic

During our Space topic we will be looking at how individuals in science and technology have helped shape the world. We will be designing and making moon buggies. The children will research the different planets in the solar system and study the earth, sun and moon with a particular focus on the seasons, phases of the moon and why we have day and night.

During our North and Central America topic we will be locating the different countries and identifying the key human and physical characteristics of these regions. We will then be doing an in depth study of a region in North and Central America. The Year 5 Easter production will also be linked to this topic.

PE days and what we are doing

Outdoor P.E. - Tuesday

Indoor P.E. - Friday

All PE kit should be clearly named. Children may not wear **ANY** jewellery when doing PE, so earrings should either be left at home that day or children need to be able to remove them themselves. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit: shorts and T shirt for indoor and jogging bottoms and a T shirt for outdoor.

Please ensure that your child has their reading book, reading record and homework diary in school every day.

Homework

In our year group, the following homework will be set (in line with the school's Homework policy):

Monday: English handed out, Maths handed in.

Thursday: Maths handed out. English handed in.

How you can help:

Children should be reading daily as this supports their writing and comprehension skills.

It would also help if you could continue to support your child with recalling their times tables and their corresponding division facts.

If you require any more guidance on this, please do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher.