

Curriculum Overview and Homework Activities



Shakespeare's Sagas

This term 'Shakespeare's Sagas' has a strong history focus, with pupils learning about the life and legacy of William Shakespeare. They will explore who he was, why he is still famous today and place key events from his life in chronological order on a timeline. Pupils will also learn about the significance of the Globe Theatre, the rules of theatre in Shakespeare's time, and compare social expectations of 16th-century theatre with those of the present day. In English, pupils will study narrative poetry and Shakespearean tragedy, including Romeo and Juliet. They will also develop their instructional writing through links to Design and Technology, they will be writing clear instructions for bread making. In Science, the focus will be on working scientifically, developing skills such as observing, predicting, investigating and recording results. In DT, pupils will design and make bread, learning about ingredients, techniques and evaluating their final products. In RE, the focus is on Hinduism, particularly the belief that God can take different forms. In Spanish, pupils will learn language related to the theme 'At the Weekend,' helping them talk about activities and plans. In PE, the children will be focusing on Dodgeball and OAA. In OAA, they will recognise landmarks on a map and follow a sequence of instructions. In Computing, children will be exploring Spreadsheets on Purple Mash.

Homework in year 5/6 is a really important part of the learning process and if homework is not completed pupils will be asked to stay in and complete their tasks— this will prepare them for Secondary school, where the homework expectations are much more demanding.

Reading every night is the most important thing you do to support your child with their learning. There are weekly spellings to learn as well as TTROCKSTARS and timetables practice. We also set weekly math's homework – a sheet will be stuck in the homework book ready to complete.

These things **MUST** be completed before attempting any of the homework tasks below.

The additional tasks below are optional.

These are the most important pieces of homework to complete weekly before attempting any of the tasks below.

<p>Create a costume fit for a Shakespearean character (king, queen, knight, Juliet, etc.).</p>	<p>Make up a short song or rap that tells the story of Romeo and Juliet.</p>	<p>Create a short quiz for your family about Shakespeare.</p>	<p>Find and learn 5 words Shakespeare invented (e.g. bedroom, lonely, gossip).</p>
<p>Write a diary entry as if you were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An actor at the Globe Theatre • A person watching a play in 1600s London 	<p>Make a model of the Globe Theatre using:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardboard • Lego • Recycled materials 	<p>Make a newspaper from 1600s London.</p> <p>Include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A play review • A "Shakespeare is famous!" article • A theatre advert 	<p>Retell Romeo and Juliet using only emojis.</p>