

# Engage, Enquire, Excel at Millfield

Welcome to the Spring Term of Year 5. There are lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for your child this term which we are sure they will enjoy and find engaging.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We look forward to your continued support.

Miss Wright and Mrs Suter

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Weekly spellings will be set on a Friday and will be due the following Wednesday.
- PE will normally be on Tuesday and Thursday although this is subject to timetable changes. Please make sure your child has a full PE kit in school all week and is able to remove earrings if worn.

<p><b>English</b></p> <p>Using the text <i>The Lizzie and Bell Mysteries: Drama and Danger</i> by J.T. Williams, we will write a biography of Ignatius Sancho. Following this we will read <i>The Lost Happy Endings</i> by Carol Ann Duffy, in which children will investigate the mystery of the stolen happy endings. We will use this text to write a prequel about the witch in the story.</p> <p>Our reading this term will link to our writing themes. We will read <i>The Wonderling</i> by Mira Bartok and a narrative poem, <i>The Listeners</i> by Walter De La Mare.</p> 	<p><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>In PSHE this term we will be studying the topic Diversity and Communities. In this learning, we aim to develop a sense of personal identity and self worth, as well as learning how to consider and respect the needs and views of others.</p> <p>We will also be learning about how to work together. This will also allow us to identify and value our own strengths, gifts and talents and to understand how these, along with others' skills and strengths can contribute to the success of a group task.</p> 
<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p>This term we will study multiplication and division, revisiting the learning from the Autumn term and introducing the formal methods for both multiplication and division. We will also learn about fractions, decimals and percentages. Our final topics will be area and perimeter and statistics.</p> 	<p><b>Religion and World Views</b></p> <p>Through learning about religious celebrations, including Eid al-Fitr and Holi, we will begin to make connections between the different beliefs and practices of religions and world views.</p> 
<p><b>Science</b></p> <p>Our science topic this term will be focused on Human Reproduction and Ageing. In this topic we will learn about animal life cycles, including the human life cycle. We will explore human growth and development to old age.</p> 	<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>In PE we will develop our teamwork skills as we learn how to play Bee netball with the coaches from Active Play. We will take part in a whole school dance project using resources from the Royal Opera House and the ballet <i>Alice in Wonderland</i>.</p> 

<p><b>Geography</b> In geography our topic is Sow, Grow and Farm. We will learn about the features and characteristics of land use in agricultural regions across the world, including a detailed exploration of significant environmental areas.</p> 	<p><b>Computing</b> This term we will we become architects and study examples of art gallery architecture, before creating our own virtual gallery. We will also create our own website about online safety using Google Sites.</p> 
<p><b>Art</b> Our art topic this term will focus on set design. We will explore creating a model set for theatre inspired by poetry, prose, film or music. We will also complete a project exploring mixed media to create a land or city scape.</p> 	<p><b>Design Technology</b> In our topic of Eat the Seasons, we will be learning about the meaning and benefits of seasonal eating, including food preparation and cooking techniques.</p> 
<p><b>Music</b> In Music we will appreciate and understand a wide range of high-quality recorded music drawn from different traditions and from great composers and musicians, with a focus on Mariah Carey. We will also improvise and compose music based on the song, Freedom is coming.</p> 	<p><b>French</b> The children will practise their speaking and listening, reading and writing in French in the context of colours and items in a pencil case.</p> 

**Useful Links for Parents**

BBC Education have produced a whole host of materials for KS2. Follow the KS2 link and then select either Maths or English. Each area usually has an information section for reading, plus an activity and then quiz which is marked online. Some aspects require a subscription.

[Home - BBC Bitesize](#)

A site with links to old style Key Stage 2 Maths Papers, Maths Tutorials as well as Maths Games. Some of these games are linked to Memory and would therefore help pupils to retain key information.

[Clarity Maths](#)

Click on "For Kids" to access some fun games to practise speed of recall of times tables.

[Mad 4 Maths](#)

This site has loads of Maths games which help to practise a range of skills. [Fun Games for Kids | Skill Games | Math Playground](#)

Loads of Maths games on a range of Mathematical concepts.

[Fun Kids Online Math Games](#)

Activities to reinforce and practise a range of spelling rules.

[Olympic Stage](#)

A range of activities and games to practise a range of spelling rules and patterns.

<http://www.spellzone.com/games/index.cfm?wordlist=2255>