



Spring Term 1

Year 5 and 6

English

Nevermoor by Jessica Townsend

This term, our class will be reading *Nevermoor*, a modern fantasy novel by Jessica Townsend. The story follows Morrigan Crow, a young girl who believes she is cursed and destined for misfortune. When she is unexpectedly invited to escape her fate and enter the magical city of Nevermoor, Morrigan must face challenges, make new friendships, and discover her own strengths.

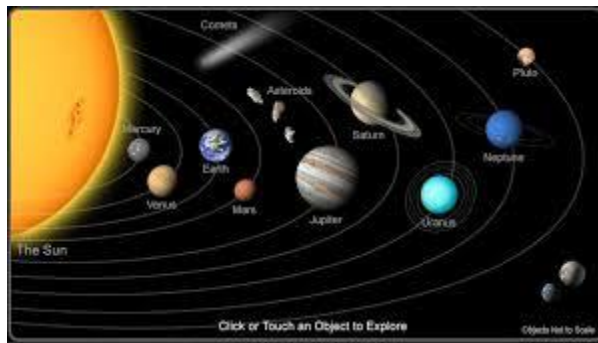
Through this exciting and imaginative novel, pupils will develop their reading comprehension skills, explore rich vocabulary, and discuss important themes such as belonging, resilience, friendship, and self-belief.



Science

Earth & Space

Children will learn the main facts –
 How does the Earth fit into our solar system?
 How do we know the Earth is a sphere?
 How long does it take for Earth (and other planets) to orbit the Sun?
 What is the largest object that orbits the Earth?
 Why is there day and night on Earth?
 Does the Moon change shape?



Maths

Our focus, in Maths, this half term is the understanding of multiplication and division and fractions/decimals and varying calculations linked to this. From these children will use these to aid their working out of different style calculations.



Spelling

Children will have spelling lessons every Tuesday where they will learn a new spelling rule. They will be given activities through the week to practise this rule and have a test the following Tuesday.

Handwriting & Letter Formation

As a school, we have a real focus on handwriting this year and will have a 10-minute handwriting lesson each day in order to learn and practise forming letters and joining correctly.

PE

'Gymnastics & Basketball'

On a Monday afternoon, we have Gymnastics and Thursday afternoon is Basketball. Please ensure children have full indoor and outdoor PE kits. See back of planner for correct PE kits.



RSHE

Our key questions that we will be covering this half term are; Can we be different and still be friends? Should friends tell us what to do? Is there such a thing as the perfect body?



Creation & Science: Conflicting or complimentary

Children will discuss how religious beliefs about creation and scientific ideas about the universe can be different, yet still work alongside each other.

Geography

'The Caribbean'

Children will learn about -
 To locate the Caribbean on a map
 To understand it's climate
 To know about the trade including banana fair trade
 To describe the culture of the Caribbean



Art and Design

Observational drawing; Giuseppe Arcimboldo

Children will investigate the work of the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo. Children will use these investigations to produce observational artwork of fruit.



Computing

Introduction to Vector graphics

Children will be learning about vector graphics, where images are created using shapes, lines and mathematical instructions rather than photographs, helping them to design clear, scalable graphics such as logos and icons.

Music

Children will be taking part in ukulele lessons then listening to music from the Caribbean.

