Year 5 Curriculum Information – Spring Term 1 2024

English	Maths	Science	Other curriculum areas
 Reading: Reading is taught through daily reading opportunities: reading within English and other subject lessons; story-time and whole class reading lessons. These follow a regular sequence using the same passage of text over a week, enabling regular opportunities to hear, echo and practise fluent reading. Focus areas include decoding, prosody (reading with expression) and comprehension. Children will read an exciting range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry this term, including <i>Hidden Figures</i> (based on non-fiction biographies) and <i>Six Ways to Look at the Moon</i> by Pie Corbett. Writing: Our writing curriculum will focus on: Engaging with a wide range of high-quality texts to support and develop writing across a variety of genres Planning, drafting, writing, evaluating and editing Writing legibly, fluently, with increasing speed Main writing outcomes include: Non-Fiction: Persuasive letter, character descriptions (biographical writing) and report on the moon landing Poetry: using figurative language to write own poems. Grammar and punctuation: Spelling Shed's SPAG Scheme, and CGP books, are used to support learning in school and at home, with specific focus for the year on the following: Sentence structure: Modal verbs Clauses and phrases Text structure: Devices to build cohesion within a paragraph Linking ideas across paragraphs using adverbials of time, place and tense choice <i>Punctuation:</i> Brackets and dashes for parenthesis Use of commas to clarify meaning or avoid ambiguity Spelling: Children are taught spelling through the Spelling Shed scheme, with on-line home learning tasks being given weekly. 	 Key maths concepts, arithmetic and reasoning skills are developed throughout all maths lessons. White Rose resources are used to support progression. Children are also expected to develop their recall and application of number bonds and times tables (up to x12) by the end of year 4. Key instant recall facts (KIRFS) and times table challenges are used to reinforce maths fluency. In year 5, children will cover: Multiplication and division: Using mental multiplication and division strategies Multiplying a 4-digit number by a 1-digit and 2-digit number using short and long multiplication and division Equipitation and division as inverse Solving problems related to the above, choosing an appropriate method Fractions: Multiply fractions and mixed numbers by integers Calculate fractions of amounts Find the whole Use fractions as operators 	 Scientific skills and concepts are embedded and developed in all science lessons and through a range of enquiry types. Children will also explore the following: Earth and space (physics): Describe the movement of the Earth, and other planets, relative to the Sun in the solar system Describe the movement of the Moon relative to the Earth Describe the Sun, Earth and Moon as approximately spherical bodies Use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night and the apparent movement of the sun across the sky 	 Computing: Create a news report using Green Screen technology Continuing to develop and embed online safety skills Art: Textiles and Fashion exploring design within the home; projects include wallpaper design, shoes, hats and costume design History – The Tudors: Explore Henry VIII using evidence from portraits Understanding the reasons why Henry VIII broke away from the Catholic Church Comparing life for different people in society Elizabeth I and the Spanish Armada Music: Focus on world music/eras: The Planet Suite by Gustav Holst Physical Education (PE): Divided court games: badminton, tennis, dodgeball and benchball Invasion games: netball PSHE: Dreams and Goals: aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding the emotions that go with this Spanish: The family: articles, to name different relatives, possessive, to change from 1st person to 3rd person Religion and world views: The children will look at each religion's view of peace and learn about different methods of achieving and creating peace The children will compare and contrast the concept of peace across religions, look at symbolic people of peace and well-known symbols of peace before creating their own
What parents can do at home to help:	Links to support learning and wellbeing		Trips, visits and dates for your diary:
 Check your child completes the weekly home learning tasks set by the class teacher. Listen to your child read daily and update their Reading Record. Remind your child to learn and practise their spellings regularly and to use Spelling Shed's on-line games to help practise tricky words too. Look out for half-termly maths key instant recall facts (KIRFS) and practise regularly. Help develop your child's fluency in their times tables up to 12, and associated division facts. Use Times Tables Rock Stars regularly for support. 	 Please ensure your child accesses all their school on-line learning accounts from home regularly. Any technical issues, please contact ICT@trafalgarfederation.org.uk and for curriculum issues, contact your child's class teacher directly, using their specific class name, to <i>classname</i>@trafalgarfederation.org.uk. E-school: J2e 		 Term: Tuesday, 9th January – Thursday, 28th March 2024 Half term: Monday, 12th February – Friday, 16th February 2024 Tudor Day: 30th January 2024 Mobile planetarium: date tbc