

Year 5

Curriculum Overview



Summer 1



Monkspath School

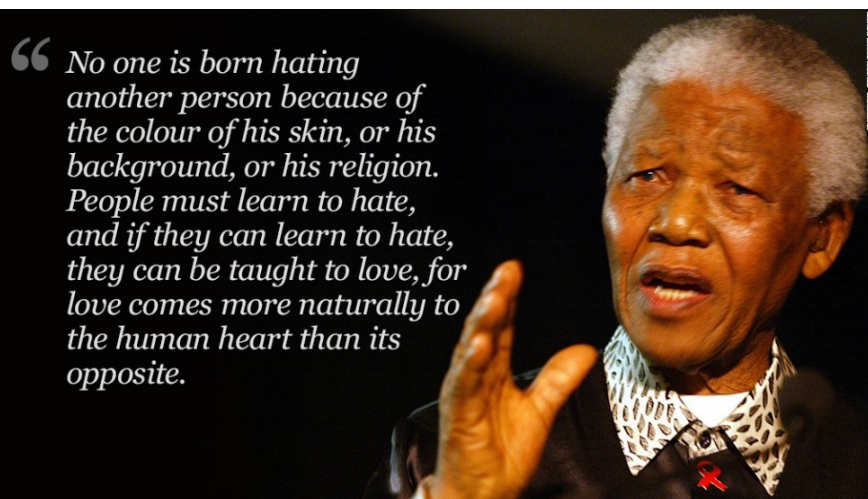
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This is a brief overview of the curriculum that will be taught in Year 5 this half term. Our topic for this term is equality.

There will be daily English and Maths lessons which may include cross-curricular learning. The other subjects are taught in a more fluid manner in order to make as many purposeful links as possible. For example, in some weeks we may teach no Geography, whereas in other weeks a substantial proportion of the timetable will have a geography focus.

On occasions, some elements of this curriculum plan may be adapted to meet the needs and interests of the children.

Topic	Equality (Summer 1)
English	<p>We will read 'Journey to Jo'burg' by Beverly Naidoo and/or 'The Matchbox Diary' by Paul Fleischman and explore the issues raised in the stories. As part of this we will research human rights during apartheid and the life of Nelson Mandela, which link with our school values of equality and individuality.</p> <p>In English, we will also be studying the grammatical features of the English language.</p>
	<p>Key skills to practise at home</p> <p>As the children approach year Six we would encourage them to read increasingly challenging texts by a wide range of authors. Continue to make use of Bug Club and class texts where possible.</p> <p>We would encourage children to work on their presentation of written homework in order to improve their handwriting. All homework should be completed with their targets in mind ensuring work is accurately punctuated.</p>



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Maths	<p>Your child will be set tasks in which they will use and apply their mathematical skills to solve problems about number, shape, measures and data.</p> <p>In number they will revise and extend their knowledge of calculation methods, fractions, decimals and number patterns.</p> <p>Key skills to practise at home Support and encouragement with homework is extremely valuable in building confidence and exploring different ways to solve problems.</p> <p>It is critical that your child has fast recall of all multiplication tables up to and including 12 x 12. They should now be secure in this. If they are secure in this please move onto learning related division facts e.g. $6 \times 4 = 24$ therefore $24 \div 6 = 4$.</p> <p>It may be useful to encourage your child to solve logic puzzles, play chess, draughts, complete Sudoku etc to encourage confidence in problem solving and thinking ahead.</p>
Science	In science this half term our focus will be a biology unit on the life cycles of animals and plants.
Geography	In geography the children will learn about rivers and mountain environments from both a physical and human perspective.
Art	In art we will create sculptures linked to our reading in English and create an art installation.
Computing	In computing this half term we will be creating our own blogs. We will continue to promote the safe use of the internet in all lessons.
Spanish	We will be focussing on Mi Colegio—My School, looking at the rooms and areas typically found in a room. We will look at how lunchtime in a Spanish school differs from lunchtime in an English school and compare a typical menu too.



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Music	The children will learn about African music and instruments and will compose some music of their own.
R.E.	The children will 'learn about ourselves and learn how we cope in different situations'. The children will also study Buddhism and Judaism.
P.E.	This half term's PE will be golf and dance.
Other aspects of learning	During the summer term the children will represent the school at the cricket festival and take part in bikeability training



Below are our agreed **whole school values** which are positive, shared and highly prized by us all.

And...

because values are worth more when they are passed on, we share them with you here.

Ambition

Happiness

Respect

Equality

Friendship

Individuality

Honesty

Innovation

Co-operation

Self-Esteem

Celebration

Responsibility