



# Year 5 – Spring 2

## Our topics for this half term

**Science:** This term in Science, we will be looking at the forces that exist around us. This will include plenty of experiments to see these forces in action, including gravity, air resistance, and water resistance.

**Music:** We have an exciting start to spring with our new music opportunity! We will be continuing our Ukulele lessons learning new chords and instruments on a Wednesday.

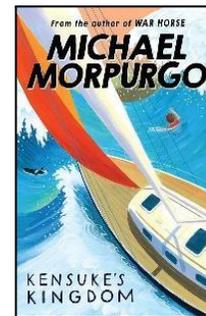
**History:** Our History topic this term has been all about Civil rights. As we continue to look at discrimination and equality and what it was like in America in the 1950's, children will expand their knowledge through use of different sources and research.

## Key Learning in English

**Writing:** We will continue to use *Room 13* as our stimulus for writing. Some of the skills we will be focusing on are past and present, progressive and perfect relative clauses within sentences.



**Reading:** After leaving last term on a cliffhanger, we will return to *Kensuke's Kingdom* for the rest of this term. The children have thoroughly enjoyed reading the text so far, and we're sure that they will enjoy the ending of the book. We may begin our next book before Easter so keep an eye out for which book is next...



To support your child, please read with your child as much as you can (at least 3 times per week). All of the children now have their own Reading Records to record this in and get well-earned Dojos.

## Key Learning in Maths

**Lesson Focus:** After working hard at developing our multiplication and division knowledge, we will move onto decimals and percentages. Once we have completed this, we will move onto perimeter, area and statistics.



### **Times Tables Rock**

**Stars:** We practise our times tables as much as we can, aiming for 15 minutes a day! This is done on Times Tables Rock Stars to support their knowledge and speed of recall. TTRS can be accessed at home and is a perfect way to continue recall of multiplications children need.





**PE:** Our PE days remain Monday (outdoor) football with the Elite coaches, and Thursday (indoor) Functional fitness

**Arithmetic:** The children will continue to complete a weekly Arithmetic test. These are now more structured to the skills children are learning in year 5 and any misconceptions we see in lessons

**Behaviour Principles**  
 After a positive first term back in 2025, we will continue to emphasise the importance of our Excellent Behaviour Principles (Excellent Walking, Excellent Listening and Excellent Manners) and our Pocket Principles (Be Responsible, Be Respectful and Be Ready) to ensure that the children are showing the key characteristics for successful learning!

**Uniform**  
 Please ensure that your child is in the correct and appropriate school uniform everyday. This should be grey or black trousers, shorts, skirts or a pinafore dress; a white polo shirt; a red sweatshirt or cardigan and appropriate black shoes or trainers. On days when your child has PE, they can wear black/navy leggings, jogging bottoms or shorts; white t-shirt ; plain black/navy sweatshirt or jumper; appropriate trainers or pumps. T-shirts, shorts and jumpers with logos or football kits are not permitted in school. Thank you for your help!

**Key Vocabulary**

<b><u>History</u></b>	
Civil rights	
Descrimination	
Equality	
Segregation	
<b><u>Geography</u></b>	
Earthquake	
Volcano	
Tectonic plates	
Boundaries	
	<b><u>Science</u></b>
	Forces
	Push
	Pull
	Gravity
	Friction
	Air resistance