



Medium Term Planning
Year 5
Summer 2026 First Half Term



English	Mathematics
Year 5 will begin this half term with some rhyming poetry. They will study 'Schoolitis' and then write their own amusing rhyming poems. This will be followed by learning how to write an application form for a job, linking to careers related learning. Pupils will continue with reading lessons, handwriting, spelling and grammar sessions.	Year 5 will continue to develop their knowledge of decimals, this half term, focusing on adding, subtracting and multiplying. They will then move on to properties of shapes with a focus on angles. They will measure, calculate and reason, finding missing values in both triangles and quadrilaterals.
Art & Design	Computing
Art lessons this half term will be focused on monochromatic drawing. Pupils will learn about and showcase different pencils and their effects. They will use lines and shapes to create a range of artwork.	Year 5 will write programmes which control devices, making connections between physical and digital systems, using the sphero robots and microbits kit.
Design & Technology	Geography
Next half term we will be designing and creating bridges. Pupils will learn about different types of bridges, their purpose and effectiveness. Using this knowledge they will focus on strengthening techniques to ensure their structure is load-bearing.	Pupils will describe and understand the physical geography of climate zones. They will identify the position and significance of the Equator, Northern and Southern Hemispheres. They will learn about temperatures and climates, focusing on The Tropics, Arctic and Antarctic circle.
History	Music
During history lessons, we will learn about coal mining in The NorthEast of England. Pupils will explore the importance of the industry to the area, beginning with a visit to Woodhorn Colliery Museum.	We will develop knowledge and understanding of the Balinese musical forms of gamelan beleaguer and kecak, collaborating to compose a piece of music in this style.
Personal Social Health Economics (PSHE)	Physical Education (PE)
This half term, we will learn about Economic Wellbeing. This will explore income and expenditures, borrowing, risks with money and stereotypes in the workplace. Pupils will also explore topical issues with staying safe online, ensuring key messages are embedded and pupils have an opportunity to discuss issues.	Pupils will enjoy participating in a range of athletics skills and games which will be demonstrated on sports day. They will understand the importance of warming up and cooling down. They will develop a range of running, jumping and throwing techniques. Year 5 will be able to evaluate and analyse their performance.
Religious Education (RE)	Science
Year 5 will explore the topic of 'Who gets to be in charge'. They will investigate the different ways religious leadership and authority are determined and what happens when people don't agree. They will critically discuss different religious laws, democracy and 'being chosen'.	Year 5 will learn about life cycles and reproduction. They will describe the differences in life cycles of a mammal, amphibian, insect and bird. They will explore the process of reproduction in some plants and animals.
In KS2 we learn French in our Modern Foreign Languages Curriculum (MFL)	
In French, we will learn about the habitats of plants and animals. Pupils will learn how to pronounce, write and read a range of habitats, using complex sentence structures and a more confident approach to oral fluency.	