



## Central Primary Curriculum Overview – Year 5 – Autumn Term (1)

<b>Subject Area</b>	<b>Content</b>
<b>English</b>	<p><b>Reading:</b> This term our focus author is Michael Morpurgo. We will be reading texts by this children's author in Story Time. Further reading will include Macbeth as well as non-fiction texts with wider curriculum links.</p> <p><b>Speaking and Listening:</b> Drama and role-play underpin many aspects of the curriculum and opportunities will be given to develop speaking and listening skills through presentations, group work, discussion and questioning. We will be taking part in Shakespeare's school festival program and producing our very own production of Macbeth.</p> <p><b>Writing:</b> We will begin by doing some non-fiction biography writing. After this we will look at Fiction from our literary heritage, with Macbeth being our focus text. Further writing skills will be developed through topic work across a range of text types.</p>
<b>Maths</b>	<p><b>Maths learning will include:</b> Children will develop their understanding of number and place value with larger numbers to one million. They will develop strategies to investigate and larger numbers and secure their understanding of number. In addition to this we will develop written methods for the four operations to include the large numbers and decimals. The children will focus on the application of strategies for complex problems and mastery elements with the strategies they will learn. Mental maths will include rounding numbers up to one million; using mental strategies for rapid addition and subtraction, and learning multiplication and division facts up to 12x12.</p>
<b>Science</b>	<p><b>Scientific Investigations Skills:</b> We will begin to understand that what we observe by sight may not always be truth and we will gather evidence with the use of secondary sources to prove scientific phenomena.</p> <p><b>Science Content:</b> We will be developing our knowledge and understanding of Space and the planets</p>
<b>ICT</b>	<p>We will develop skills for using the internet to research this term. There will be many opportunities to refine search skills, navigate web pages, select information and present it in a suitable manner.</p> <p>During our computing lessons we will focus 3D modelling with the use of the sketch make up programme. We will use 2d shape drawings to model 3d shapes. Skills in detailing and manipulation will allow children to create complex 3D models, such as room design.</p>
<b>Topic</b>	<p><b>History:</b> We will be travelling back to the period of William Shakespeare and investigating what life was like during his time. We will have a close focus on the life and work of William Shakespeare and his impact on British history. Furthermore, we will learn about different monarchs during this era and how life differed under the rule of each monarch.</p> <p><b>Geography</b> – As part of our William Shakespeare topic, we will be exploring the place and space in relation to Stratford upon Avon and Watford. The children will be learning the use of maps and making comparisons between cities, towns and villages.</p> <p><b>Art</b> – This term the children will be looking at perspective drawings and developing their skills for line drawing to produce a one or two point perspective drawing of a street of buildings and houses.</p>
<b>French</b>	<p>This half term we will be looking at La Plage (the beach) and exploring describing visual images. Our descriptions will use an expanding range of grammatical features with a focus on exploring rules around pluralisation, extending sentences into complex structures and thinking about how genders work throughout a descriptive piece of writing.</p>
<b>Music</b>	<p>Our Music lessons will involve singing sessions to progress the use of our voices. There will also be an additional opportunity to develop the use of instruments on alongside our weekly singing lessons.</p>

<b>PE</b>	Our PE lessons are on Wednesday, where we will be developing our health related exercises. We will be doing Dance on Thursday with Mrs Bulaitis. The children will also be swimming on Fridays.
<b>PSHCE</b>	We will discuss the themes 'New Beginnings' and 'Staying safe'. PSHCE involves discussion, circle time, role-play and drama with some opportunity for written responses.
<b>RE</b>	The children will be learning about rules for living in RE with a focus on Judaism and Christianity. We will also develop a close relationship with Jewish Hertsmere school to enrich our knowledge of Judaism.
<b>Educational Visits</b>	This term we will be part of the Shakespeare's Schools festival program where our children will take part in a production of Macbeth. We will be doing lots of drama work around this and participating in a cast workshop on 13 <sup>th</sup> October. There will be more information about this in a separate letter. We will also have a visit from experts on Space, who will transform our school hall in to a space inspired workspace. They will allow us to feel like we are in space with the use of special equipment and use resources to develop our knowledge on the topic. Other trips include a Shakespeare experience day in London.
<b>Things to bring</b>	Children must bring their reading book and reading record to school every day. They may also bring a water bottle to keep in class. We will expect children to bring their home spelling books in to school once a week (Friday); PE kits twice a week as well as a swimming kit, once a week. Children do not need to bring pencil cases, as pencils, rubbers and rulers are provided in class.  <b>Wednesday</b> – Full outdoor PE kit including trainers <b>Thursday</b> – Dance kit <b>Fridays</b> – Swimming kit
<b>Dates to remember</b>	Shakespeare experience day - Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September 2016. First swimming session – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September Space workshop - Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2016. Shakespeare Schools Festival Cast workshop- Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> October Parents Evening- Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October