

Literacy:

- Read the story of 'Tom's Midnight Garden': a tale full of magic and adventure.
- Write our own story about a time travelling experience.
- Discover details about the famous fictional time traveller Dr Who.
- Take part in a debate and compose a balanced argument discussing a relevant topic.

Engage:

Welcome to my portal, time travellers! I'm here to invite you on a fantastic ride through the aeons of time.

What would happen if the clock struck 13?

If you could travel into the past, what would you like to see?

Maths:

- Investigate line graphs and how they are used to represent and interpret data.
- Deepen our understanding of mixed number fractions and equivalent fractions.

Computing:

- Create a PowerPoint or website which offers advice on e-safety.

Science:

- Describe the changes associated with older age in humans.
- Describe the life process of reproduction in some plants and animals. Compare the gestation periods of different animals.

PE:

- Use gymnastic equipment such as mats, ropes and platforms.
- Travel safely from one piece of equipment to another.
- Mount and dismount equipment safely.



In Year 5 we will be learning to:

History:

- Discuss how everyday life has changed over the last 200 years. Children will choose areas of research that they are most interested in such as technology, cars or food.

Geography:

- Investigate how Portsmouth and our local community has changed over time using images and accounts. How have things altered? Are things better now?

Art:

- Develop accurate and effective techniques when discovering how to draw a portrait.
- Create a mixed media collage that reflects their hope and dreams for the future

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- Design and paint an original clock face.

Innovate:

Discuss objects that would feature in a class time capsule that explains life in 2019. Create a personal time capsule that tells the story of your life so far!

Express:

Imagine you have travelled through time, dress up as a character from the past or even as you might imagine life in the future.

PSHE:

- Sessions inspired by Matthew Syed's book 'You are Awesome' aimed at building the children's self esteem.

Music:

- Learn how to add accompaniments to tuned instruments.

Things to explore with your child...

PE: PE will take place on **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Our PE coach will assist children to understand the role of feedback in sports to help themselves and others improve. We will explore how team members use this to best effect.

Creative Zone:

Write a timeline of significant events or inventions that have taken place within the last century.

Collect items that could feature in a time capsule and discuss what they might tell future generations about life in 2019.

Explore books from the local library that show old photographs of Portsmouth. How has the city changed?

Reading:

As a class we will be reading 'Tom's Midnight Garden'. Please support your child to develop their inference skills when reading at home.

- How does the front cover design relate to the themes and storylines in the book?
- Select a character and write a profile for them using evidence from the text.
- Use surrounding sentences to help define unfamiliar words. Then use a dictionary to check their detective skills!

Writing:

We will be using a 'Talk for Writing' resource to help children to structure their oral stories. Your child will be issued with a WAGOLL (What a good one looks like). We encourage you to discuss this with your child to help to inspire them when they write a persuasive argument based upon our theme of travelling through time.

Weekly Practice:

Support your child to complete their home-school reading passport.

Activities include book reviews, the use of descriptive language and imagining the journal entries of main characters. Our passports also include the Year 5/6 common exception words that they should be able to read and spell. Times table tasks continue to be sent home weekly and are due in every Wednesday.

Maths:

We are pleased to now be offering a maths breakfast club for children in Year 5 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you would like to receive more information about this opportunity, please contact Miss Cox.

Children are encouraged to make use of the online Times Tables Rock Stars resource, which is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times tables practice. Your child already has a log-in which they can use at home. Please encourage your child to complete these home learning activities.

Dates:

**Topic Celebration 13th February
2:30pm**

Please join us to celebrate our topic work and to discover what we have selected to include in our class time capsule!

End of Term

Friday 15th February