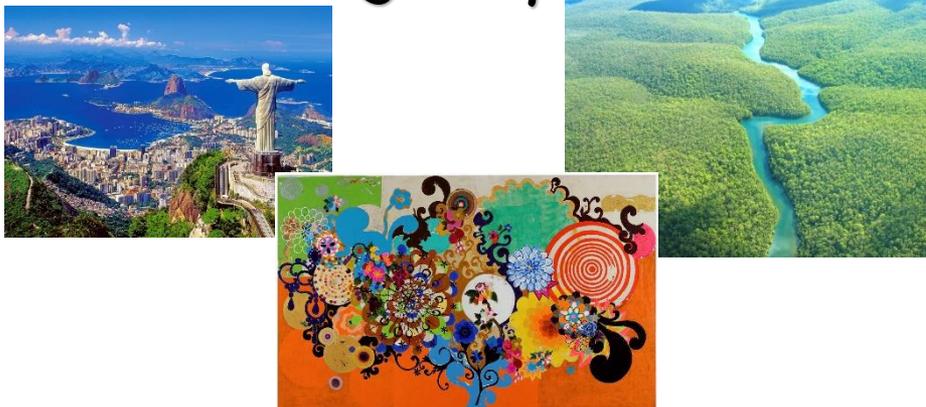


Autumn Term Learning Experience



The Circle of Life

Class 5J (Year 5)

Teacher:

Miss Johnstone

Teaching Assistant:

Mrs Millar

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English	This term, we will be using sentence stacking to explore a variety of texts including The Highway Man by Alfred Noyes and Computer Dad, alongside exploring persuasive writing.
Maths	In Maths, we will be focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages and multiplication and division. The children will use a wide range of resources to help support their learning and challenge them further.
Science	This term, the children will be learning about living things and their habitats, involving animals including humans. They will use straightforward scientific evidence to answer questions, as well as using accurate terminology to explain scientific ideas and processes.
History & Geography	During our topic this term, we will be learning about Brazil and the Amazon Rainforest. We will explore tribal culture there, alongside looking geographically at its location and comparing it to the U.K.
Design Technology/ Art	In Art we will be looking at the work of Brazilian artist, Beatriz Milhazes; within this, we will explore how to create imagery using shapes and colours. In DT we will be designing and creating chocolate bars.
Religious Education	In RE, we will be looking at Hinduism, where we will explore attitudes of respect and open mindedness, alongside rituals, celebrations and the Hindu concept of God.
Computing	In Computing, we will be following the iCompute scheme to learn about iSafe, which helps children to stay safe in the digital world and iWeb, where the children will remix and create web content.
Physical Education	In PE this term, we will be exploring dynamic balance, static balance, counter balance and ball skills, following the REAL PE curriculum.

Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Opportunities

Through our collective worship, we will be reflecting on what makes us and others unique and how we are all loved by God for our own special qualities. Our worship Wednesdays will be themed around caring for others and our environment and how stories from the Bible can inspire us to do this.

British Values & Global Citizens

Our class reflection and PHSE ties will focus mainly on democracy and acceptance of others this term. We will think about how we can respect those with different faiths and beliefs and what values we might actually share with each other.

Supporting your child at home

- ❖ At Hayfield Cross, we believe reading to be an extremely important part of every child's development. Our expectation is that children **read every day** to an adult at home and that this is recorded within their home reading records. Additional guidance and advice will be provided.
- ❖ Children who still need it will receive daily phonics sessions and handwriting and reading is taught daily to all children.
- ❖ Spellings relating to the term's spelling bee will be sent home every Monday, ready for a test on a Friday. Some children may get alternative spellings to learn, depending on individual needs.
- ❖ Within maths, **a solid understanding of number is essential** for children to have in order to build upon as they move throughout the school. It would be beneficial to look out for opportunities to use mathematical vocabulary or mental calculation during everyday activities.
- ❖ Any additional information or photographs of particularly exciting learning opportunities will be shared via the school website.

This Season's School Learning Theme is



All God's Creatures

PE

Day: Monday morning

Day: Wednesday afternoon

PE is an important part of every child's physical development and it is essential that they can participate in every lesson. Please can you ensure that your child has a full **named PE kit**. This consists of a navy blue polo shirt, black shorts and plimsolls or trainers for indoor and outdoor use. School hoodies and plain navy or black tracksuit trousers are optional for outdoor PE. It is also **not advisable** for children to have their ears pierced during term time. Children will need to be able to remove any jewellery themselves before any PE sessions.

Working in Partnership

We believe it is crucial to work in close partnership with parents to provide the best education for each and every child. Therefore, if you would like to talk to the class teacher do not hesitate to arrange a meeting after school by asking them or calling the office.

School Times

Please remember that school begins at **8:45** prompt when all children must be on the playground in their line, ready to start learning. The playground gates are open from 8:35 where you will be met by a member of staff.