







Half Term Overview - Yr 5/6

*This is **Pearl** Class's curriculum overview for the Spring 2 term. This overview gives you a brief explanation of what the pupils will be doing in school. It also gives you suggestions of activities to support pupil's learning at home. These are only suggestions, not compulsory activities.*

<p style="text-align: center;">Topic</p> <p>Our topic this half term is 'Up, Up and Away' which has a science and DT focus. Each week we will be learning about different aspects connected to this.</p> <p>Week 1- I spy in the sky Week 2- Hot Air Balloons Week 3- Gliders Week 4- Planes & Helicopters Week 5- Rockets Week 6- Animals & Insects that fly</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p>We will continue to develop our real life number application at our class snack shop each day. The children will take turns to be the shopkeeper and will need to calculate totals and change for each customer. We will follow the following rotation for our maths lessons:</p> <p>Week 1- number Week 2-shape Week 3-measure Week 4- number Week 5- shape Week 6-measure</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> <p>Our story focus this half term is 'Aliens Love Underpants' which we are all very excited about. We will continue on a weekly rotation, focusing on: writing, reading, speaking and listening.</p> <p>During week's 3 and 4 will have a focus on poetry and rhyming activities (still based around the aliens!).</p> <p>Every child has their own writing checklist and word mat in their book to support their independence with writing.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Phonics/ Reading</p> <p>We continue teaching phonics in our differentiated groups within the year band. Pupils will be learning the sounds of letters, how to blend sounds to read words and letter formation.</p> <p>In Pearl class the children will partake in daily reading and phonics check 1-2-1 with an adult. The reading books will also be sent home on a Friday if you wish for them to be.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cookery</p> <p>This half term we will be making different types of vegetable stir fry. The pupils will continue working on a variety of cookery skills, involving handling and using equipment and kitchen safety.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;">Computing</p>  <p>This half term our ICT unit is Programming. In this unit of work pupils will develop the ability to input a sequence of instructions to make something move, whether that be on screen, using a floor turtle or a person.</p> <p>They will use computer packages and apps to enter instructions and see them come into action.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Expressive Arts</p> <p>Week 1 - Shopping Role Play Week 2, 3 & 4 - Puppet/Shadow Theatre Week 5 - 6 - Whole School Art Project</p> 	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">Pearl Class</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em;">Up, Up and Away</p>  <p style="font-size: 1.5em;">Spring 2 Overview</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>Our science work will link in with our topic learning about physical properties and living things with a focus on:</p> <p>Week 2 - Floating & Sinking Week 3 - Glider Making Competition Week 4 - Motors & Propellers Week 5 - Push & Pull Forces Week 6 - Types of flying animals and insects.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PE</p> <p>Swimming - Yellow, Emerald & Sapphire Class will continue swimming at Inspire every Tuesday.</p>  <p>This half term the classes will have a dance focus to their PE sessions.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Home activity ideas...</p> <p>*Shape hunters - what shapes can you identify around the house / out and about?</p> <p>* Sign readers - read EVERYWHERE you go e.g. road signs, menus, shop signs, food packaging, TV.</p> <p>*Plane spotters - how many different aeroplanes can you spot? Keep a tally chart. What noise do they make?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Communication</p> <p>The children will take turns to be the teacher and lead the morning circle time session - initiating and leading conversations.</p> <p>During our weekly speaking and listening sessions, the children will make phone calls to book aeroplane flights, book holiday hotels and call the RSPCA to rescue a flying creature (all linked to our topic Up, Up and Away).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PSHE</p> <p>Pupils will continue to work on their personalised learning program targets each week.</p> <p>Our theme for this half term is Friendship,, which we will focus on daily in class and through Year Band Assemblies & Breakfasts Buddies.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Important dates</p> <p>Friday 2nd March - World Book Day Friday 23rd March - Sports Relief Thursday 29th March - Silly Sock Day</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Trips</p> <p>Friday 9th March 2018 - Pearl class to visit the airport to see the aeroplanes (morning only and back in time for lunch).</p>

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