Nacton C of E Primary School

Half Termly Newsletter

Year 5 and Year 6 – Spring 2

Dear families,
We are officially half way through the academic year!
Below you will find an overview of our curriculum this half term and what we will be learning in each subject. If you have any questions, please do come and speak to your class teacher.
We would like to thank you for your continued support and engagement with your child's learning.
Team Nacton

English	Maths	Science
In reading, our focus book will be Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick. We will be writing 'twisted fairy tales' based on the grim tales written by Phillip Pullman.	Our maths units of learning this fractions, decimals and percentages, including equivalence and percentage of amount.	Our foci in science are the circulatory system, where we will be learning how blood travels around the body, and diet drugs and lifestyle, exploring how to stay healthy.
Geography	**Computing**	**Design and Technology**
In geography, we will be exploring coasts. This includes erosion at Dunwich, and trade and tourism at Felixstowe.	In computing, we will be learning about 3D modelling. This includes how to use software to 3D model, and adding layers and features.	Our focus in DT is structures. We will select appropriate tools to create a marble run.
Religious Education	**Physical Education**	**PSHE**
In RE, we learning about Christianity, answering the question 'what is the great significance of the Eucharist?'	PE this half term includes dance; learning certain moves to create a routine, and basketball; passing, shooting, dribbling and defending.	Children will be learning about Economic Wellbeing. This includes how to keep money safe, and thoughts and feelings towards money.
Music	**French**	
In music, Mr Watson (our guitar teacher) will be teaching the children a range of notes on the guitar, and introducing them to play a range of songs.	Children will continue with the topic Le pique-nique ending with writing their own version in French of the Very Hungry Caterpillar.	

Important dates:	Home learning expectations:
Thursday 6th March - World book day 10/11th March – Bikeability group 1 12/13th March – Bikeability group 2 Friday 28th March – Premier enrichment Friday 28th March – Open Classrooms Friday 4th April – Easter service at St Martin's Church.	**Year 5** Times table Rockstars: 15 minutes on garage per week. This will be set on Fridays for the following Fridays. Spelling Shed: 8 games of spelling shed. This will be set on Fridays for the following Friday. Homework: One piece of homework each week, varying in reading, writing, maths and research based on one of our foundation subjects. This will be set on Wednesdays for the following Wednesday. **Year 6** One topic of Maths and English completed per week on yearsix.co.uk. This is set on Wednesdays and must be completed by the following Wednesday. Times table Rockstars: 5 minutes on garage per week. This will be set on Fridays for the following Fridays. Spelling Shed: 5 games of spelling shed. This will be set on Fridays for the following Friday. **This is the last full half term before SATS. Children are able to access practice tests on yearsix.co.uk. I am encouraging the children to practice tests to help them prepare for SATs week!**