

# Year 5 Folkestone Term 2 Curriculum Letter

Welcome back everyone, Term 2 is already upon us! It has been an absolute honour to get to know all the children of Folkestone class- they come into class each day with a smile and are always enthusiastic to learn. We have a busy term ahead, but if I can go by Term 1, the children will rise to the challenge. If there are any issues or worries please contact me.

Mr Boot.

## Maths 123

This term in Maths, we will be working on adding and subtracting numbers mentally to at least 10,000. Along with adding and subtracting numbers with more than four digits.

Also, we will be using our knowledge of addition and subtraction to solve multistep word problems.

In Topic Maths, we will be looking at converting between units of length. Also, we will be measuring and calculating the perimeter of shapes.

## English!

This term in English, we are reading, 'The Princess Blankets' by Carol Ann Duffy, and our writing will mainly be linked to this book. The children will showcase their writing skills, including writing formal letters and explanation texts. We will also be summarising the main ideas from parts of 'The Princess Blankets'.

Please make sure that you are reading as often as you can.

## TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

Keep Up with Times Table Rockstars! Let's all work towards being Rock Legends and Rock Heroes!

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school/student>



## Science

We will be learning about properties and changes of materials. Including: looking at reversible and irreversible changes; and how to separate materials.

Reversible	Irreversible
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> States of matter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burning
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid + Liquid	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rusty metals

In modern foreign languages...

We are learning all about eating out. How to order drinks, what to order at an ice cream shop and practicing how to say what you want.

When using the internet at home, please encourage your child to use the safe search engine **Kiddle**.

[www.kiddle.co/](http://www.kiddle.co/)

This site is run by Google and has safe search functions built into it to help protect children.



#### Reminders:

- PE lessons will be on Friday, so please have your PE kit in school –ideally earrings should be left at home.
- Daily reading recorded in planners and signed.
- Home learning is issued termly and can be handed in when completed.
- Correct uniform please, including shoes. Boots may be worn during the winter months. Any problems or concerns, please write a note for the student to pass onto myself.
- Please check the school newsletter for upcoming events.
- Please record minutes for Busters' Book Club each Wednesday on your bookmark and ask an adult to sign it.
- If you are reading at home make sure you ask an adult to sign your reading record.
- Will you read an Academy Reading Challenge book this term?



## Riveting Rivers

Children will examine how a river changes from its source to the mouth. We will examine the Water Cycle and children will be able to draw a diagram of this. We will use Atlases to find rivers in the UK and from around the World. Children will find out about the features of rivers, including waterfalls, meanders and Oxbow lakes. Children will be expected to discuss how materials can be separated and the types of changes which are irreversible.

#### In Art/DT...

The children will experiment with water colours. This will then link to our creative curriculum topic, where we will be inspired by local rivers.



#### In RE...

We will explore the question: Who is a Sikh and what do they believe?

We will investigate and explain the main beliefs of Sikhism.



In Music...We'll learn to compose melodies made from pairs of phrases in either C major or A minor. These melodies will be enhanced by rhythmic or chordal accompaniments. Also, children will be working in pairs to create a piece of music to a silent film or a scene from a film.

#### In Computing...

We will continue to reinforce ideas about staying safe online. We will look at how we can report things if we feel unsafe. As well as this, we will be considering copyright and plagiarism.



#### In PSHE...

Year 5 will be considering the decisions people make with money. We will be looking at what influences how people spend and save money. We will also be considering what makes something 'value for money'.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. If there is anything you would like to discuss, please contact me via the Year 5 email address: [year5@stmartins.kent.sch.uk](mailto:year5@stmartins.kent.sch.uk).

Mr Boot and Mrs Kiely.