



We are delighted to welcome Year 5 back to school after our October half term break. We hope you are all feeling rested and refreshed and we cannot wait to continue learning together. Remember, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact with school. Please find links to our calculation policies here: [addition and subtraction](#). [Multiplication and division](#). Thanks, Mrs Franklin and Mrs Dias.

Welcome Back



ENGLISH

This term we will be reading the novel 'The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad' which links with our history topic about the Islamic Empire. We will practice using a range of sentence openers and expanded noun phrases in our descriptive writing.



MATHS

In maths this half term, we will be continuing our work on addition and subtraction. After that, we will be moving on to multiplication and division, looking at powers of ten and factors and multiples. In our Mastering Number sessions, we will be continuing to consolidate our times tables, using square numbers and known facts.

SCIENCE

Our science topic this term is 'Earth and Space.' Children will learn all about the characteristics of some of the planets in our solar system and how they orbit the Sun. We will be able to explain the relative sizes of the planets and celestial bodies. They will also learn about Earth's movements.



TOPICS



In geography, we will look in more detail at some of the contrasting regions of the Americas, finding out about the landscape, biomes, climate and locations of each area. Children will also develop their map and atlas skills and practise reading and writing coordinates. In history, we will continue to look at the Golden Age of Islam, how the Silk Road impacted trade through the empire and exploring its greatest achievements.

PSHE / RE

Our PSHE learning this half term will focus on 'Living in the Wider World' and aims to answer the following questions: What decisions can people make with money? What jobs would we like? We will explore different aspects of money, including how to earn, spend and save it responsibly.

In RE, we will be continuing to learn about Christianity, and the different festivals in the Christian calendar.

Swimming will continue from the **3rd to the 25th November**.

Forest school and PE will be on alternate Wednesdays

Please remember to send your child to school with a water bottle. Please also ensure that your child has a coat in school.

TRIPS:

Bank of England on **Thursday 20th November**;
Ichthus Church on **Friday 5th December**

Both trips are on the same day but different times for each class. Please contact us if you would like to accompany us.

