

Year 5 Curriculum Overview

Spring term 2020

Class 5LT, 5JT & 5N



This information tells you what your child will be learning this term in school. We really value your support and the help that you can give your child with their learning.

Our topic this term is 'Early Islamic Civilisation'

These are some of the things you can do:

Take them to the library regularly so they have a wider choice of books to read and look out for books related to this term's learning: *Early Islamic Civilisation; Forces and changing states in science; Islamic religion; geometric patterns, Traditional Tales from the Middle East (e.g. Arabian Nights, Ali Baba and the 40 thieves, Aladdin), Poetry by Michael Rosen*

Find information from the internet about the topics we are learning: *see above*

Please encourage your child to look at the home learning page of the school website to complete some activities during the term <https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/year-5-home-learning-page/>
Your child can bring their completed work or photos of their work into class so it can be displayed.

Help your child to practise all multiplication times tables regularly - up to 12 x 12

Help your child to learn spellings given to them. A useful strategy is to get your child to:

- LOOK at the word
- COVER the word up
- WRITE the word without looking at it
- CHECK the spelling is correct, and repeat the above steps if necessary

Please encourage your child to read regularly at home every day for 15 – 30 minutes and try to come to *Everyone Reads* every Friday to share a book with your child.

Support them to be independent and make sure they have everything they need in school on the right day e.g. their PE and swimming kits

The curriculum:

English:

- **Narrative writing:** Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. The children will write their own narratives based on scenes from the story, with a focus on describing setting, character and feelings.
- **Non Chronological Report:** They will also learn how to write a survival guide for surviving in the jungle based on what they find out from events in Kensuke's Kingdom.
- **News report:** They will use the story as the basis of an imagined news report.

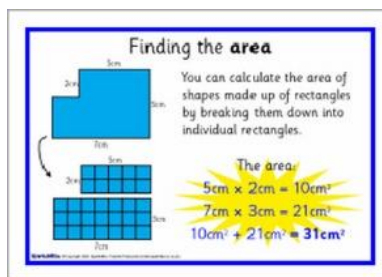




- **Traditional Tales from the Middle East:** The children will write their own version of a traditional tale, based on a known story.

In Maths the children will learn to:

- Identify and measure **angles**
- Calculate **perimeter** and **area**
- Calculate and recognise **fractions** of amounts and shapes
- Read, write, order and compare **decimal** numbers with up to three decimal places
- Recognise and calculate **percentages** of amounts



- **In Science** we will be learning about changing states, e.g., solids, liquids and gases, and understand reversible and irreversible changes.

- In **D&T** we will be evaluating, planning and making traditional Islamic food.

- In **History** we will learning about Early Islamic Civilisation.

- In **Geography** we will be locating geographical and economical features of early Baghdad, 900AD and looking at its geographical features to identify why it became a part of the “Silk Route”.



- In **Music** we will be learning how sing and play percussion instruments to a variety of songs using the music program Charanga.



- In **Art** we will be studying and creating geometric patterns of Islamic art.
- In **Spanish** we will be learning about different sports and hobbies.

- In **Computing** we will be learning about the Internet, including being safe online, using search engines and identifying types of information. We will also be carrying out investigations using different browsers.

- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about Economic Well-being and how to be responsible with finances. We will also be learning about Citizenship.

Other information:

PE & Swimming:

Each class will continue to have 1 session of PE and 1 session of swimming per week:

5N & 5JT will now have swimming and P.E on Thursdays

5LT will have swimming on Wednesdays and PE on Thursdays.

Please send your child's PE and swimming kits in on a Monday and they will be brought home once used.

Class assemblies:

5LT – Friday 6th March at 9.15 am

5JT – Friday 13th March at 9.15 am

5N – Friday 20th March at 9.15 am

Trips & visitors:

We are intending to visit a local mosque as well as the V&A (Victoria & Albert) museum in South Kensington as part of our Early Islamic Civilisation topic.

Dates of V&A trips are:

5JT- Wednesday 4th March

5LT- Monday 9th March

5N- Friday 13th March.

As always, we welcome parental support for the trips.



We are looking forward to having a productive and enjoyable term with you and your child. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year Five team or Mrs Robertson, Assistant Head for Years 5 & 6.

Miss Thompson, Mr Najjar, Mrs Joshi and Ms Collins