










# Dunmore Primary School

## Year 5 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2 2024

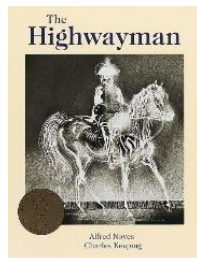
 Ideas for home



Science – Earth and Space	P.E. - Gymnastics and Parkour
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The <b>solar system</b> – the planets, the sun and the moon</li> <li><b>Orbiting</b> and <b>rotation</b></li> <li>Day and night</li> <li>Why <b>planets</b> are spherical</li> <li><b>Nicolaus Copernicus</b></li> <li>Planning and carrying out experiments</li> </ul>  <p> Your child may enjoy the following page to find out more:  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm9mxbk/articles/z7jvf82#zq9cr2p">https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zm9mxbk/articles/z7jvf82#zq9cr2p</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Gymnastics</b> and <b>Parkour</b>. We will focus on flow in our sequences.</li> <li><b>Orienteering</b>. Basic map orientation and orienteering routes around the school grounds.</li> </ul> <p> Watch some parkour for kids videos on YouTube to give them some ideas about moves to try.</p> <p> Geocaching is a great way to get children to understand map orientation. (There are loads around Abingdon)</p>
Geography – Greece	Art – Clay pots
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Comparing</b> Greece and the UK</li> <li>The <b>climate</b> in Greece, comparing it with our climate</li> <li>Greece as a <b>holiday destination</b></li> </ul>  <p> <a href="https://www.nationalgeographic.com/uk/childrens-geography/country-profiles/greece/">Greece Country Profile - National Geographic Kids</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Researching Ancient Greek pots</b>, looking at their shapes and images.</li> <li><b>Sketch</b> our own pot designs</li> <li><b>Printing</b> our pot designs</li> <li>Shaping and decorating a Greek pot in <b>clay</b></li> </ul> <p> If you fancy a trip into Oxford:  <a href="https://www.ashmolean.org/greece-gallery">https://www.ashmolean.org/greece-gallery</a></p>
Music – Sea Shanties	Computing – Video Production
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Creating class arrangements of a sea shanty</li> <li>Composing body percussion and cup patterns to accompany a sea shanty</li> <li>Writing these out using rhythm grids</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Filming</b> (camera p.o.v.), zoom, pan, story boards, special effects, post production editing and how to be a film critic.</li> </ul> <p> There are lots of good free movie making apps to develop editing skills.</p>
French	R.E. – Religions and world views
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Counting</b> up to 12</li> <li>Exploring the verb 'avoir'</li> <li><b>Extended family</b> names eg grandparents, cousins, aunt, uncle</li> <li><b>Classroom instructions</b> eg sit down, stand up, go, stop, silence.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How do religious figures in different religions, <b>influence</b> individuals and faith communities?</li> <li>Are key religious figures good <b>role models</b> for us today?</li> <li>What is <b>Humanism</b>? What are the key ideas? Who are some of the key figures in the development of Humanism?</li> </ul>
P.S.H.E. – Celebrating Differences	Jokes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Difference cultures</li> <li>Racism</li> <li>Rumours and name calling</li> <li>Types of bullying</li> <li>Does money matter?</li> <li>Celebrating differences across the world.</li> </ul>	<p>How do you put a baby astronaut to sleep?  <i>You rocket!</i></p> <p>Why haven't aliens come to our solar system yet?  <i>They read the reviews: One Star!</i></p>

## English - Poetry

- Looking at different types of **poems** including performance poems.
- Writing our own poems.
- Studying **The Highwayman**.
- Writing from the **point of view of different** characters.
- **Predicting** what might happen next in the narrative.



## Maths

- Worded addition and subtraction problems.
- Using partitioning to multiply 2 two-digit numbers mentally.
- Grid and column multiplication to multiply two-digit and three-digit numbers
- Short division with remainders, including worded division problems
- Squared and Cubed numbers
- Roman Numerals

Education City has lots of games, learn screens and activities to help support your child's work in the classroom. [www.educationcity.com](http://www.educationcity.com)

## Important Information

### Class Homework

- ✓ At least twenty minutes each week on **Times Tables Rockstars**
- ✓ **Education City** homework will be set each **Friday** to be completed **online** by the following **Friday**. Please let us know if your child is unable to do this at home so that we can facilitate it in school.
- ✓ **Spellings** and **times tables** will be tested each **Friday**. You should have a paper copy and you can find them on our Year Group page.
- ✓ There are **links on our Year Five page** which you might find helpful to aid you with homework and what we'll be learning about this year.

### PE

Class 11: Mondays and Fridays.  
Class 12: Mondays and Wednesdays.

### Reading books

Reading books will be changed as and when the children need to. Children are expected to have **at least three entries** in their reading record each week, **at least one of which should be completed by an adult** who has listened to them read at home. These need to be in school **every Monday** to be looked at by the class teacher.

### Requests to Parents

- Make sure all P.E. kits and clothes are labelled and that your child is able to remove any jewellery. Any earrings should be studs only.
- Please read with your child regularly and discussing what they're reading. You can find helpful hints on how to support them in the centre of their Reading Records. For more ideas, see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/10-top-tips-to-encourage-children-to-read/10-top-tips-to-encourage-children-to-read>
- Please *don't* read The Highwayman with your child yet, as we will be doing some work on predictions - what might happen next.

## Key Dates

- ✓ Week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> November – School Values week
- ✓ 6<sup>th</sup> November – Open morning for current parents 9-10am
- ✓ 7<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' evening 3.30pm to 5.30pm, in person
- ✓ 8<sup>th</sup> November - Class 11 NSPCC visit
- ✓ Week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> November – Prayer space in school
- ✓ 12<sup>th</sup> November – Parents' evening 4pm to 7pm, online
- ✓ 27<sup>th</sup> November - EAL coffee morning 8:45 - 9:45am (parents with English as Additional Language)
- ✓ 18<sup>th</sup> December – School Christmas dinner
- ✓ 20<sup>th</sup> December – Term finishes at 1.30pm (Pupils return to school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025)