



Autumn 1 2025 Curriculum Overview

Year 5: Mr Chan, Mrs Geddis and Miss Watson

English

We begin this half term with the 'The Book of Mythical Beasts and Magical Creatures' by Stephen Krensky and 'The World of the Unknown Monsters'. We will be building different sentence structures and writing to inform.

We will also be reading the book 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' and will be writing our own final chapter.

Geography: Investigating Our World

This essential skills and knowledge project revises the features of Earth, including climate zones and continents. Children will learn and locate countries and their capital cities. Children will learn to use map scales, grid references and map symbols. They will learn to recognise physical and human features. Children will learn about settlements and carry out an enquiry of their own locality, asking about what makes Letchworth a significant cultural capital.

Mathematics

Our learning this half term will begin with place value and rounding, including decimals. Children will use their times tables knowledge to recognise prime and composite numbers and to solve problems.

We will also have a heavy focus on multiplication and division by powers of 10, which is vital for converting units of measurement.

PE

Gymnastics (Wednesday)

Netball (Thursday)

Children will need to come to school in full PE kit on these days.

Art and Design: Tints, tones and shades

This project teaches children about colour theory by studying the colour wheel and exploring how to mix tints, shades and tones. Children will learn about significant landscape artworks and features of landscapes, before using this knowledge to create landscape paintings.

PSHE

Our PSHE topic this half term is 'Being Me in My World'. We will be thinking about our role as part of our class, the school and the wider community. We will be thinking about how our actions affect others, including rewards and consequences.

Music and French

Miss Segard will teach these lessons on Thursday afternoons. The focus in French is 'Where we live.'

In music, the lessons will be themed around 'Rock Anthems.'

Science: Forces and Mechanisms

This project teaches children about the many forces that are present in the world around us, eg gravity, air resistance etc. Humans sometimes need to overcome these forces, but can sometimes use them to our advantage in technology.

Computing

Our Computing focuses for this half term are online safety and word processing.

RE

Theme: Belief into Action

Religion: Sikhism

Key Question: How far will a Sikh go for his/her religion?