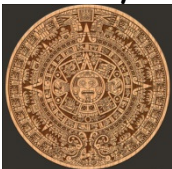
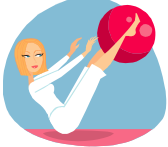


Year Five Curriculum Information-Summer Term 2018

Welcome back to Middlefield and a new term in Beech class. Below is an outline of what we will be covering in the curriculum during this term.

English 	This term the children will have the opportunity to write in a variety of styles as part of their English lessons. As well as writing, children will be utilising role play and drama to enhance their learning and immersion into our text. We will be starting the term by finishing our work using Carol Ann Duffy's book, 'The Princess' Blankets'. Later in the term, we will be reading 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick. This book links in to our topic and will give children the opportunity to write for a range of purposes. The children will also have a guided reading session most days where they will look at a range of texts to support their reading, writing and grammar.
Maths 	Year 5 children will continue to have a maths lesson each day, working through a range of units. There will also be regular arithmetic sessions where the children will be utilising their calculation skills before applying these to problems. We will begin this term, by revisiting statistics. Children will be looking at data in a range of formats including line graphs, bar graphs and timetables. Following this, children will be learning about working with fractions: converting between mixed number and improper fractions, multiplying fractions and comparing and ordering them. Children will have regular opportunities to develop their problem solving skills by completing a range of challenges, games and activities.
Science 	We will begin the term by learning about materials. Children will be building on their previous learning surrounding the scientific concepts about changes of matter. Children will work scientifically to explore a range of materials, their properties and how they change in different circumstances. Later in the term, we will be starting our 'Animals including Humans' topic where we will study developmental changes in humans and animals and make comparisons in the biology of humans with other animals.
History 	In history we will be studying all about our local history, learning about key people and events that have taken place in St Neots and surrounding areas. We will spend some time learning about the 'Eynesbury Giant', James Toller, and will also look at how St Neots has developed over time.
Geography 	Our topic this term is 'Home and Away' where we will be learning about our local area and Europe. Children will be learning about key physical and human features in the local area and comparing with other parts of the world. Children will also be looking at local and global rivers. They will be using their research to help them to complete a number of written projects including fact files, maps and posters.

Art 	We will begin art this term by looking at the work of Claude Monet, learning about impression and different artistic techniques used. Following this study, the children will create a landscape piece using oil pastels based on images from Pocket Park. There will also be further opportunities for art as part of our topic work.
Physical Education 	Year 5 will have PE every Tuesday. This term children will be developing their skills in team games, thinking about tactics and team work. Children will be practising their throwing and batting skills during this term. The sports they will focus on will include cricket and rounders. Later in the term, children will be partaking in athletics in preparation for our school sports day.
Religious Education 	In Religious Education children will continue to look at a range of religions as well as wider themes such as peace. These lessons will link into the religious calendar where appropriate giving children the chance to explore festivals, beliefs and practices for a number of different religions.
DT 	This term, Year 5 will be completing a design project linked to our topic. The children will be planning and making a 3D map of the local area. They will have the chance to use a range of materials and techniques in order to build up their map. This will take place over a number of sessions.
Homework 	In Maths the children will be using Maths Whizz which should all be very familiar to them. Children should aim to complete a minimum of 60 minutes a week in sessions of between 20-30 minutes. English homework will be sent home each week and will link into what we have been doing in class. This will be about 40minutes most weeks. We will also be sending home some spellings each week to help the children to continue to develop this important skill. All year 5 children are expected to read for at least 15minutes at home most days. This is extremely beneficial for their development as both readers and writers. Teachers will be checking their diaries to ensure reading is completed each week.