



Livingstone Road Primary Federation

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Year 5

Year 5 are travelling back in time again this half term. This time, we will be exploring ancient Maya.

Year 5 teachers will continue to set home learning each week on Spelling Shed based upon the expected year 5 spelling patterns and rules .

A reminder that Year 5 PE days are on Thursdays and Fridays, when children can wear their kit in to school. They will be participating in tag-rugby and handball.



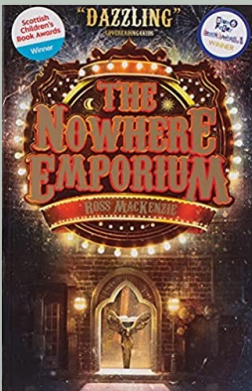
Reading

Our novel for this half term is *The Nowhere Emporium* by Ross MacKenzie. This story is about a orphaned boy who finds a mysterious shop that appears one day. He decides to work for the shop, ending up on a magical journey full of twists, turns and interesting characters!

In our reading lessons, we will be focussing on a variety of skills, such as retrieving answers from different texts, and inferring characters thoughts, feelings and emotions. We will be looking at different ways to apply these skills.

Writing

Our first writing unit this half term is narrative. We will be using our class novel 'The Nowhere Emporium' as a inspiration for some brilliant setting descriptions. Through this work, we will develop our understanding of figurative language and choosing precise vocabulary. The second half of Spring 2 will be spent creating a diary entry.





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Maths

This half term, we will begin by exploring percentages, what the % symbol represents and use this knowledge to solve problems. We will then move onto studying geometry including shapes, angles and investigating perimeters of shapes.

Alongside our morning lessons, we will continue to develop our mathematical fluency each day, recapping prior learning and reinforcing our calculation skills.

Science

This half term we will continue our work with properties of materials and then move on to investigate forces practically. Each week we will be working scientifically to answer questions and test hypothesis.

History

This half term we will be learning about all things Mayan! By the end of the half term, we will know who the Mayans were, when they lived and their impact on the modern world.

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This half term, we will be learning about healthy food with a Mayan (well Mexican) theme. We will find out where our food comes from, how it is processed, and its nutritional value. We will finish off the half term by making a delicious Mexican dish.

Computing

This half term's computing is a continuation of animation. We will be producing a stop-motion animation based on a scene from our class novel or the Mayans.

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