

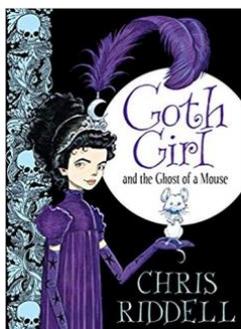


Welcome back! This is an exciting term as there are lots of new things the children will be learning, along with lots of celebrations such as: **Diwali and Christmas to celebrate.**

**English**

**Year 5**

Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse by Chris Riddell is the text that will be studied at the beginning of this term. The children will be writing their own scene and endings. They will then be looking at instructions and explanations where they will be pitching their inventions Dragon's Den style!



**Year 6**

Year 6 will be looking at a range of Graphic novels by Philip Pullman. Through these texts, they will look at the vocabulary choices and figurative language features which they will use in their own writing. They will then study a range of blogs through non-fiction texts.

**Maths**

**Year 5**

Multiplication and division is the next block they will be working on. To grasp these concepts fully, a secure knowledge of times tables is paramount.

**Year 6**

After place value, and the four operations, the children will be focusing on fractions.

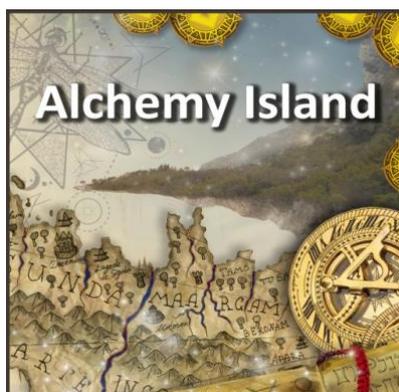
**Times Tables Rockstars**

With the introduction of TT Rockstars, the children have been really engaged in improving their rapid recall of times tables.



**Topic: ALCHEMY ISLAND**

It's time to suspend the disbelief and open your mind to the magical journey to Alchemy Island. The children will be finding gold hidden deep within the Island's mysterious landscape. They will be unravelling a riddle and beginning their adventure by being creative using music, computing and DT.



**SCIENCE:**

Properties and changing of materials will be investigated, along with working scientifically and presenting findings.

**MUSIC:**

They will be composing, recording, editing software and using graphic scores.

**GEOGRAPHY:**

They will be map reading, using co-ordinates and identifying human and physical features.

**ICT:**

They will be using a range of software packages to create digital images and creating board games.

**PSHE:**

Our topic in PSHE is all about celebrating differences and working on friendship skills.

**RE:**

We will be exploring how Muslims express their beliefs through religious practices.

**MFL:**

Following on from the weather, children will now be identifying parts of the body.

**OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS**

Parents' evening will take place on the following dates:

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December – 3.30-5.00pm**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – 3.30-5.00pm**

Please look out for an appointment slip coming out shortly.

**PE:**

Physical education (PE) is a compulsory part of the curriculum for all pupils aged 4-16. All children are required to partake in a minimum of 2 hours PE per week. Many children are forgetting to bring their PE kits and are therefore missing out on compulsory PE. In order to reduce the amount of children not participating in PE, we will be asking for children to bring their PE kits into school on **Monday** morning.

**Weekly Homework**

Please remember homework should be handed in every **Monday**, to be given back **Wednesday**, along with homework diaries that should be signed by parents. They are a communication tool for us all.

**Inspire Days**

The children have enjoyed taking part in their WOW day that introduced their new topic 'Alchemy Island'.



**A reminder**

Children should wear school uniform always with black shoes. Children should not wear any jewellery, except a watch and stud earrings.

Thank you for your continued support from the UKS2 Team.

- Mrs Bayley: Class Teacher
- Mrs Baker: Class Teacher
- Miss Wilkes: Class Teacher
- Mr Forsyth: Class Teacher (AM)
- Mrs Longmore: Teaching Assistant
- Mr Egerton: Pupil Premium Teacher