

Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy Summer Term 2 Newsletter



Asia Class Year 5



Welcome back!

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I hope you all had a relaxing half term despite the rather wet weather.

I can't believe we are about to enter the final half term of this school year! With Year 6 in sight could I please ask that you continue to encourage your child to complete their homework each week and ensure it is returned by Tuesday.

Hopefully we will finally see some warmer weather this half term so could you ensure your child has sun cream, a hat and a water bottle as necessary. This half term we are looking forward to a visit to the Royal Norfolk Show, Sports Day and some exciting final topics.

Thank you for your continued support. Any queries please contact the school office and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

English learning objectives:

This half term we will begin by learning about persuasive writing and trying to use the features and techniques to persuade the class that our opinion is right! We will then be reading The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad and writing portal stories set in the city. We will end by looking at debating and writing balanced arguments about important issues. We will also continue our daily reading and grammar sessions and our weekly spelling tests.

Maths learning objectives:

We will begin by learning about shape and angles before moving on to look at converting between different units of measure. We will also extend our knowledge of position and direction and negative numbers.

Throughout the half term we will continue our daily mental arithmetic sessions and recap any areas that the children found challenging to ensure they are fully prepared for Year 6. This half term's learning: This half term's topic is all about Baghdad and the Middle East.



Other curriculum areas

In **Science** we will be learning about how humans change during their lives. We look at how babies develop, the physical and emotional changes which occur during puberty and the aging process.

In **History** we will be learning about Baghdad and the Middle East. We will look at how Baghdad was built, the Golden Age of Islam, developments in maths and science and compare it to London during the same period of time.

Our **Art** this half term will be linked to our History focus and we will be learning about the Islamic artist Zarah Hussain who uses a mixture of digital design and hand drawing to create intricate geometric designs.

In **RE** we will be exploring the question 'How do Hindus Make Sense of the World?'

In **Computing** we will be learning how to use drawing tools to create patterns and designs.