

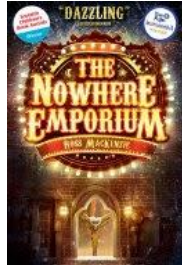
Year 5 Curriculum Information

Birch Class Autumn 1 2025

ENGLISH

This half term, Birch Class will study the novel 'The Nowhere Emporium' by Ross Mackenzie. We will use this text, alongside extracts from other novels and film clips with a similar theme, to gather content and ideas, enabling us to create our own pieces of writing.

We will study various other genres of texts through our daily whole-class reading lessons and will also have daily grammar lessons.



MATHS

This half term, children will be developing their numerical knowledge by focusing on place value, answering problem-solving questions, and furthering their understanding of calculations.

Alongside this, children will be working daily on their arithmetic skills and on improving the speed of their multiplication tables knowledge.



CURRICULUM

Art – We will be exploring the artwork of Leonid Alfremov and looking at the techniques he uses in his artwork before creating our own artwork inspired by Alfremov's painting of Winter River.

Computing – The topic this term begins with Online Safety and will encourage children to think about how secure online information is. We will then move on to the use of blogging.

History – We will be learning about The Anglo-Saxons, looking at where they came from and how they came to settle in England.

Music – We will be listening to and appraising different types of music before learning and performing a range of songs ourselves.

PE – During this half-term, we will be learning skills for invasion games.

Birch class will take part in PE lessons on **Wednesdays**.

Your child may come to school on their PE day in their PE kit and remain in it all day. Please ensure that children have the correct kit and are still wearing their school jumper or cardigan.

PSHE – PSHE this term will focus on Relationships, and we will be exploring how friends can communicate safely.

R.E - Children will be looking at Hindu Dharma and addressing the question: Is there one journey or many?

Science – Our Science topic this term is Material Properties. Children will devise their own investigations to test and address the key question of, 'How do properties of different wood affect how useful they are as a table?'

HOME LEARNING

It is really important that children read regularly at home. Although children must read their school reading book, they are also encouraged to read for pleasure by choosing books that are of interest to them. This can include non-fiction books, magazines, comics and newspapers as well as fictional stories.



Please try to listen to your child read at least once a week and sign their reading record to show that you have done so. Reading books and records need to be returned to school **every day**.

A homework menu will be included on the Birch Class webpage and on Class Dojo. Children should complete one homework of choice from the list each week and if possible, should **post a document or photograph of the completed learning on Class Dojo**.

If you do not have access to class dojo, please let me know and I will arrange access for you.

Links to various homework help pages are on the school website and include links to Times Table Rockstars and Spelling Frame.

Thank you,

Miss Heartfield and Ms Rozynska