



Year 5

TRIPOLI'S



Spring 2

Geography: Why do oceans matter?



This half term we have a Geography focus. Children will be finding out about why the ocean is important to us and explore the different reasons they matter. Children will

- Describe how the ocean is used for human activity.
- Explain how the ocean helps to regulate the Earth's climate and temperature.
- Identify the Great Barrier Reef as part of Australia.
- Describe the benefits of the Great Barrier Reef.
- Describe how humans impact the oceans and the consequences of this.
- Explain some actions that can be taken to help support healthy oceans.

English:



Children will be using our core text book, Varmints . We will write a play script and a setting description. Children will develop their comprehension skills using VIPERS through daily guided reading sessions. The grammar concepts covered this half term include: active and passive voice, modal verbs, prefixes and suffixes. Children will also practise using commas, hyphens, brackets, dashes, semi-colons, colons or dashes and parentheses.

Maths:



We will be covering the following topics this term:

- Multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Numbers - decimals and percentages

Science:



This half term, we will be learning about living things. Children will have a focus on life cycles and reproductions. Children will use a variety of enquiry types to research and learn about living things.

Computing:



Children will be working on search engines. Children will

- Explain what a search engine is, suggesting several search engines to use and explain how to use them to find websites and information.
- Suggest that things online aren't always true and recognise what to check for.
- Explain why keywords are important and what TASK stands for, using these strategies to search effectively.

Art/DT: DT - *Mechanical systems*, making a pop-up book

Music: Blues

RSHE: Economic wellbeing

RE: Justice: Christianity, Islam, and Buddhism

French: French speaking world

PE:



PE is on Monday afternoon and Wednesday morning with a coach. This half term, we will be learning how to play hockey and dance.

Spellings:



Children will have a spelling test every Monday.

Spellings for each week will be handed out to take home to practice with a handwriting sheet to support practice at home.

Children should learn their spellings each week using: Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check

Reading:

Children should read for at least 15 minutes every day. Reading records are checked on a Monday

Times Tables:



Children should practice their timetables every day.

They will have a timetables test every Monday. This will be a timed test on all times tables in random orders.

Core Text:



Our core text this half term is *Varmints* by Helen Ward and Marc Craste. Children will have the opportunity to explore this novel through reading, writing and role play.



Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Albanian. Our Albanian community represents 2.8% of our families at Wormholt.

Poem of the Half Term:



Turvy-Topsy by Paul Stewart.

Skills Builder:



This half term, we will be focusing on: **CREATIVITY** and **LEADERSHIP**



Key Dates:

- 23rd February 2026 - Start of Spring 2 term
- 27th February - Birthday Bash
- 5th March - World Book Day
- 6th March - Lima (Y2) Class Assembly
- 13th March - Harare (Y1) Class Assembly
- 13th March - Year 3 Class Trip
- 17th March - Year 1 Class Trip
- 18th March - Year 1 Class Trip
- 20th March - INSET day (School closed to pupils)
- 23rd March - Year 2 Class Trip
- 25th March - Year 4 Class Trip
- 26th March - Year 2 Class Trip
- 27th March - end of term 1.30pm
- 13th April - Start of Summer term



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