



# YEAR 5/6 OTTERS SPRING 1 2025 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER



This half term, we will be learning about Biomes. Our enquiry question is: How does the distance from the Equator affect biomes?



## ENGLISH

In writing this half term, the children will be writing an additional chapter to a narrative. We will be using rich vocabulary to describe settings and characters and learning how to include dialogue within our story.



## ENGLISH - READING

This half term, the children will be focusing on developing their inference skills. They will be using retrieval skills to select details from the text and considering what this suggests about the character.

## MATHEMATICS

This term, year 6 children will be focusing on calculating with fractions, and applying their strategies to solving problems involving fractions.

Year 5 children will be developing their mental and written strategies to multiply and divide larger numbers, and applying their strategies to solving problems.



## GEOGRAPHY

In Geography, the children will be learning about the major biomes of the world and the difference between biomes and climate zones. They will also explore how the distance from the equator affects biomes.

## SCIENCE

In Science lessons the children will be learning about living things. We will explore how taxonomists classify living things based upon their characteristics. We will also be learning about the work of Carl Linnaeus and how the Linnaeus system is still used today.

## ART

This half term, we will be taking inspiration from the work of David Hockney and create our own landscape painting using acrylic paints.

## PE

In PE the children will be developing their skills in gymnastics and dance.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

This term, our enquiry question is: What does it mean to be Human? We will be considering Christian and Humanist ideas, whilst also considering different views on right and wrong.



## COMPUTING

This term we will be exploring the concept of variables in programming through games in Scratch.



## FRENCH

This half term, the children will be learning how to ask and answer questions to introduce themselves, say their age and where they live.



## PSHE/RSHE

This half term, children will be completing a unit of learning based upon dreams and goals.



## MUSIC

The children will be continuing to appraise different genres of music and they will develop their skills in performance and composition.

