



# Burton Joyce Primary

## Summer 1 in Year 5/6

### English



This half term, we are focusing on writing balanced arguments. This will include learning about the structure and using appropriate language or grammatical features. Additionally, we are starting our summer term class text called 'Street Child', by Berlie Doherty.

### Science



Our focus will be on the topic of 'Animals including Humans'. This will include looking into the main systems which keep our body functioning, a deeper exploration of the human circulatory system, the main parts of the heart, how blood vessels work and what blood consists of.

### Geography



This half term's learning is based on a unit called 'Why do people live near volcanoes and known earthquake zones?' This will include looking into where known volcanic and earthquake zones, what volcanoes and earthquakes are and both the advantages and disadvantages of living in close proximity to known active zones.

### Maths

Each lesson will continue to open with a concentrated focus on arithmetic, which helps to develop children's numerical and calculation strategies. For the main body of our lessons, both years 5 & 6 will be studying shape, position and direction.



### Computing

We will spend time exploring how to plan, film and create short videos. Additionally, we will be further consolidating the children's awareness and understanding of the importance of staying safe online and using digital technology to communicate kindly.

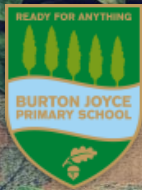


### Art

In art, much of our work will orientate around the works of Alberto Giacometti, who was one of the most prominent sculptors of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The unit of work will culminate in the children producing a sculpture of their own in the style of Giacometti.







## PE

To ensure our bodies stay fit and healthy, we will engage in units focusing on the sports of hockey and tennis. In hockey, the children will look to develop their strategic awareness and in tennis they will look to develop their hand-eye co-ordination whilst developing their forehand and backhand strokes.



## Spellings

This half term, we have a clear focus on children learning the different spellings for homophones, which are words which have the same (or near same) pronunciation but have different meanings and spellings.



## Music



Over the next few weeks, our pupils will engage with a unit called 'Exploring identity through song'. This will include aspects of lyric writing and expressive singing to convey mood and emotion.

## RE



The children will delve into a unit called 'Pilgrimages' which involves lessons developing their understanding of what a pilgrimage is, why people from different religions go on pilgrimages to Jerusalem, other Christian pilgrimages and the significance of Hajj for Muslims.

## PSHE



Our unit for this half term is entitled 'Relationships'. Key aspects of learning are mental health, love and loss, power and control and using technology responsibly.

## Dates to remember...

- Maths boosters (Y6's): 15.04.24, 22.04.24, 29.04.24 & 07.05.24
- SPaG boosters (Y6's): 17.04.24, 24.04.24, 01.05.24 & 08.05.24
- 23.04.24 & 25.04.24: Parents Evening
- Every Thursday morning (from 25.04.24), Y5 DAaRT lessons
- 13.05.24: Grammar & spelling SATs test
- 14.05.24: Reading SATs test
- 15.05.24: Arithmetic & reasoning 1 SATs test
- 16.05.24: Reasoning 2 SATs test

Have a great  
half term

