



Sycamore Class (Year 5 & 6)

Term 1 Class Topic Web



Mathematics

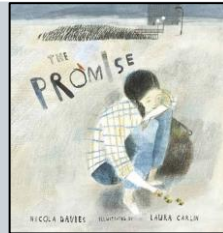
Number
Place Value
Calculating
Negative numbers



English

Focus text:
The Promise

Writing a sequel
Persuasive writing



Science

Properties of
Materials



Geography

How are
mountains
formed and
shaped
over time?



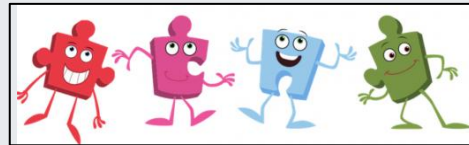
Computing

Computer
Networks



PSHE&C

Jigsaw: Being Me In My World



RE

Was Jesus
the Messiah?



Guided Reading

Tom's Midnight
Garden



Music

Ukelele lessons



Art

How do artists use shape, line
and colour to create a portrait?



PE

Swimming
Hockey
Health &
Fitness



PE kit to be worn every
Tuesday and Wednesday with
swimming kits brought in on
Wednesdays

Spanish

Meet and Greet



Class Updates & Notices

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year and to Sycamore class, I hope you all had a great holiday and are looking forward to the year ahead - I know I am! Every term, you will receive key information via our class newsletter, which will detail the curriculum areas we will be studying in the term ahead, as well as PE days, a homework outline, and any other key information. They will be sent by email and you will also be able to find them on the school website.

A few reminders:

- Please ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled and they have a water bottle in school each day.
- Reading books will be changed when the children have completed them.
- Please read regularly at home and use their reading record to record what they have read.
- Additional homework will be sent home every Friday and checked on Wednesdays.
- PE kits to be worn every Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Swimming will take place on Wednesdays from 16th September. Please ensure your child has a towel and costume with them on these days.

Please do get in touch with me if you have any questions or queries, either via email or in-person after school.

Best wishes,
Mr Hartnell

Homework

Homework provides a great chance for the children to practise key skills as well as to prepare themselves for the expectations ahead as they approach secondary school. I greatly appreciate your support in encouraging your child to develop a routine of completing the pieces on time and to a good standard. It can make a big difference to their overall learning and their confidence in school.

- Reading (at least 20 minutes daily) - parents, please record/log when your child has read. Though it is natural for them to want to read more independently as they get older, please also try to hear them read aloud at least once or twice a week and to ask them questions on what they are reading.
- Spellings - to be tested every Friday.
- Multiplication tables - keep practising regularly, including on Times Table Rockstars.

Homework will be set every Friday and checked on Wednesdays. Any incomplete homework at this point will then be finished during break or lunch times on Thursday and Friday. Children may also be asked to complete additional reading or spelling/times table practice if they are not doing these regularly and to a good standard outside of school.

Additional optional pieces of homework will be set termly and included in their homework book.

Thank you for your help!

Year 5 and 6 Statutory Spellings

accommodate	category	determined	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely
accompany	cemetery	develop	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
according	committee	dictionary	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
achieve	communicate	disastrous	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
aggressive	community	embarrass	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
amateur	competition	environment	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
ancient	conscience	equip	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
apparent	conscious	equipped	identity	occupy	restaurant	temperature
appreciate	controversy	equipment	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
attached	convenience	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
available	correspond	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
average	criticise	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
awkward	curiosity	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
bargain	definite	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bruise	desperate	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	

Spelling Challenge

Rainbow Words

Write your words out in pencil.
Next, draw around each letter
five more times using a different
coloured pencil.

literacy

Spelling Challenge

Fancy Letters

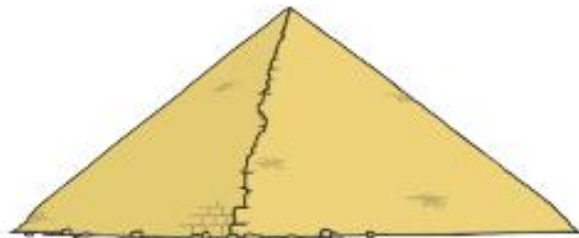
Write each of your words using **fancy writing**. Your letters could be curly or dotty... or whatever you decide!

happy

Spelling Challenge

Pyramid Writing

Write each of your words
like a pyramid:



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s o
s o m
s o m e

Spelling Challenge

ABC Order

Write your words out in
alphabetical order.

apple
carrot
tomato

