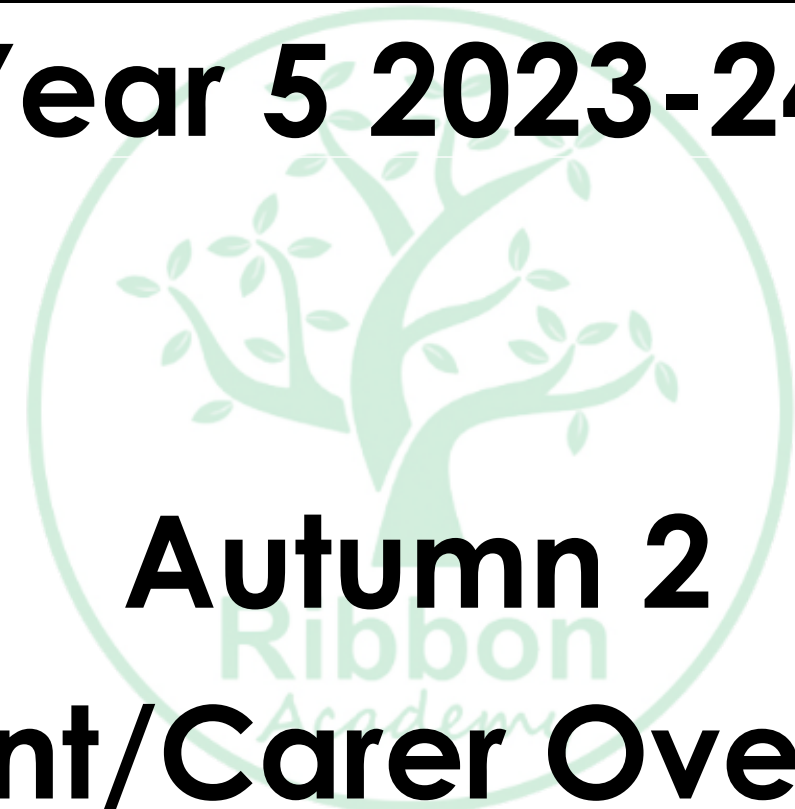


# Year 5 2023-24



## Autumn 2

# Parent/Carer Overview

The Core

Reading
<p><b>Reading</b></p> <p>Every morning your child will practice their reading skills in Book Club. Your child will bring home their Accelerated Reader book every day, which they can quiz on at home or at school. Your child will also use Reading Plus in school three times a week to further develop comprehension skills and increase their reading speed.</p> <p>Daily, your child will be reading 'Varjak Paw' this half term. We can't wait to see what the skillful cat gets up to.</p>
Writing
<p><b>Varjak Paw by S.F. Said</b></p> <p><b>Non-chronological Report</b> – Your child will write a non-chronological report, linked to our class novel. They will learn the skills of paragraphing, bullet points, topic sentences and technical vocabulary before independently applying the skills to their writing.</p> <p><b>Narrative</b> – Your child will write a narrative using Chapter 13 of the class novel, focusing on building suspense and describing the scene. They will do this through effective description, varying sentence length and applying punctuation to speech.</p>
Maths
<p><b>Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division</b></p> <p>This half term, your child will consolidate strategies of column methods for addition and subtraction during arithmetic sessions. Your child will revisit the short multiplication method before moving onto long multiplication. This will be mirrored with division.</p> <p>A huge focus for this term, is recognising independently, which strategy (add, subtract, divide or multiply) is needed for a multi-step problem and retrieving information from bar charts, line graphs and pictograms.</p>
Science
<p><b>Materials</b></p> <p>For the second part of the Autumn term, your child will be learning to explain similarities and differences of everyday materials based on their properties. Their understanding of materials will be deepened with the introduction of the reversible process of dissolving, other reversible and irreversible changes and the exploration of thermal and electrical conductivity.</p>

The Creatives

Art & Design
<p>A large focus for your child this year will be learning how to collect, experiment and develop their ideas imaginatively in their sketchbooks.</p> <p><b>Printing</b></p> <p>Your child will be creating a multi-layered print in Art this term. They will layer their ink with precision after adding detail using a variety of tools.</p>
Design & Technology
<p><b>Design &amp; Technology was taught in Autumn 1.</b></p>
Music
<p><b>Boomwhackers</b></p> <p>Your child will grow in confidence with different musical instruments. Through exploring Boomwhackers, your child will build on their knowledge and enjoy music from a different aspect using tuned percussion. With Mr Gillison, they will hone their skills on pulse, beat, rhythm and play simple harmonies.</p> <p><b>Music of the Moment</b></p> <p>Each morning they will listen to the 'Music of the Moment'. They will have the opportunity to discuss the music- what they liked; what they could hear; and how it made them feel.</p>

The Humanities

Geography
<p><b>Where the Water Goes</b></p> <p>The focus of Geography will be 'rivers' and 'the water cycle', learning new vocabulary and facts to gain an understanding of how rivers are formed. Your child will identify and describe how the physical features affect the human activity within a location whilst understanding how some of these aspects have changed over time. Fieldwork, observation and mapwork will be used to identify and discuss rivers in different countries.</p>
RE
<p><b>Judaism</b></p> <p>Your child will continue to learn about the religion of Judaism and compare different aspects to Christianity.</p> <p><b>Christmas</b></p> <p>Your child will recap the Nativity story and discuss the significance of light in the story. Your child will deepen their knowledge of Christian symbols at Christmas, along with creating and understanding the relevance of the Christingle.</p>
History
<p><b>History was taught in Autumn 1.</b></p>

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PE
<p><b>Gymnastics</b></p> <p>This half term, your child will be taught gymnastics in PE. Your child will learn to make shapes in different positions and travel in a variety of ways while using specialist gymnastics equipment. They will receive these lessons from an external specialist.</p> <p><b>Invasion Games – Football</b></p> <p>While with Mr. Lowerson, your child will further develop the principles of football, including; teamwork, ball control at speed, kicking accuracy and tactical awareness.</p>
Computing
<p><b>Programming</b></p> <p>Your child will use a programme called Scratch, where they will design a sequence which the programme will carry out. They will program inputs and add conditions and sensing for interaction which will mean they are creating their own game. Once they are comfortable with the programme, they will take a pre-made Scratch game apart to see how it was created and start to fix pre-made errors within the games.</p>
MFL
<p><b>My Family</b></p> <p>Your child's MFL lessons will have four main foci: listening, speaking, reading and writing.</p> <p>Your child will understand some simple words and phrases. They will learn some simple instructions and follow them and recognise a question. They will also repeat simple words and phrases, answering questions verbally to develop pronunciation.</p> <p>Your child will read, recognise and understand some individual written words, and match them to pictures before developing the ability to write these themselves.</p>
PSHE
<p><b>Celebrating Differences</b></p> <p>This half term, your child will explore culture and cultural differences. This is linked to racism, talking about what it is and how to be aware of their own feelings towards people from different cultures. They revisit the topic of bullying and discuss rumour spreading and name-calling. They will talk about happiness regardless of material wealth and respecting other people's cultures.</p>