



YEAR FIVE

Spring One, January 2018



Milner Field

Welcome back to an action packed spring term, culminating in our Nell Bank residential just before the Easter holidays. This half term we are going to be learning all about a local landmark, Milner Field, and its remarkable history. We will be assisted on our learning journey with the support of Andy Jarvis, the Saltaire Stories Learning Officer, who has been researching all about Milner Field's chequered past in preparation to share the many stories with our children. Weather permitting, we will be walking to Milner Field and exploring its grounds on Monday 22nd January - a letter about this will follow shortly.



Maths

This half term we will studying:

- Perimeter and Area
- Formal written methods of multiplication and division
- Fractions

In addition, weekly Arithmetic home will be sent home on a Friday and should be returned for the following Friday to be marked in class

We will be having an inter-class 'Maths Bee' on Wednesday 7th February.

English

This half term we will be linking all our English learning to our Milner Field theme. We will be studying lots of historical sources and using them to create a persuasive property advertisement for Milner Field, write our own mystery story using Milner Field as inspiration and design a menu for the wealthy residents.



Swimming and PE

Swimming will continue to take place on Friday afternoons this half-term. Our Outdoor PE lessons will continue to take place on Wednesday afternoons: this half-term we will be developing athletics skills.

Important Dates

Milner Field walk: Monday 15th January

Young Voices concert: Thursday 18th January

Later Phase Maths and Spelling Bee: Wednesday 7th February

Close for half-term break: Friday 9th February

Nell Bank residential: Monday 26th -Wednesday 28th Marc

Computing

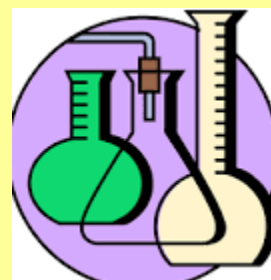


We will be developing word processing skills by learning how to touch type and creating a guide to Milner Field using different presentation styles. We will then be publishing these on our school website.

Science

The children will be learning about living things and their habitats, with a focus on:

- The differences in the life cycles of a mammal, amphibian, an insect and a bird
- Describing the life process of reproduction of some plants and animals.



Spelling

Spellings will continue to be sent out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday. The spellings which are sent home will continue to focus on spelling patterns and rules. In addition, please continue to reinforce learning of the words on the Year Five and Six National Curriculum word list, which can be found on our website: this will be tested in our inter-class Spelling Bee on Wednesday 7th February.

This half term's patterns will include:

- Words containing 'ough'
- Words with silent letters
- Homophones

We are all excited about the half term ahead, please feel free to speak to you child's class teacher if you have any concerns or require any further information.

We are delighted that Miss Woolley will return to school on Thursday 11th January.

Thank you, Miss Hayden, Mrs Shillaker, Miss Woolley and Mrs Powell