



Welcome back to a new school year at Edgewood. We have been delighted with the way the children have returned to school and are looking forward to an exciting year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask a member of the 5/6 team.

English

The children will begin the year writing a story based on the short, animated film The Alchemist's Letter, which can be found at: <https://www.literacyshed.com/the-alchemists-letter.html>

Later in the half-term, they will write an information text about one of the planets in our solar system.

In guided reading, we will read The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd. If children have their own copy, they are more than welcome to bring it into school.

Religious Education and PSHE

Our Religious Education topic looks at inspirational people and how their faith has influenced their actions.

The PSHE unit is called Being Me In My World and it looks at the choices we make and the effects they can have on others.

Homework

Homework will be assigned online every week or children can collect paper copies from their class teacher. If a child does not complete their homework, they will need to stay in during their breaktime to ensure it is completed.

- **Maths Shed:** Every week, children will complete a times table test in the classroom. On Maths Shed, they will be assigned the times table they are focusing on for their weekly test. They should complete at least **5 games** (<https://www.mathshed.com/en-gb/>) or a written multiplication grid.
- **Spellings:** Children will complete a weekly spelling test. The spellings will be assigned every week and they should complete at least **5 games** (<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>) or a written sheet.
- **Reading:** Every child needs to read at least **4 times a week** and this needs to be recorded in your child's reading record and handed in each week.

Science, Computing & Music

Our science topic is about the Earth, the sun and the moon and this will also link to our work in computing and music. As part of this topic, we will be going on a school trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester.

During our computing lessons, the children will be learning about the importance of e-safety and creating a simulation of the planets orbiting the sun.

In music lessons, we will be learning about the composer Gustav Holst and focusing on his music, The Planets Suite. As well as listening to an appreciating this music, the children will get the opportunity to create their own accompaniments to it.

History, Geography and Spanish

In history, we will be looking at the Roman invasions of Britain, the Celtic rebellion and finding out about the impact the Romans had on life in Britain.

We will start the year with a map week, which aims to build on the children's knowledge of the United Kingdom, Europe and North and South America, as well as practising their map skills.

Maths

In Maths, the children will look at the value of numbers up to 10,000,000, understanding how to compare and order them. They will also practise rounding numbers to the nearest, 10,000, 100,000 and 1,000,000, as well as extending their knowledge of reading and writing in Roman numerals.

The second half of the half-term will see us focusing on written methods of addition, subtraction and multiplication, where they will use these skills to carry out calculations with increasingly bigger numbers.

Physical Education

Children are encouraged to come to school in their P.E. kit on the following days:

Morado- every Tuesday

Azul & Rojo -every Wednesday.

P.E. attire is black bottoms, a plain red top, a black jacket and no earrings.