



# Year 5 Nightingales

## Curriculum Newsletter: Spring 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing Christmas break with your families. We look forward to a new term of learning.

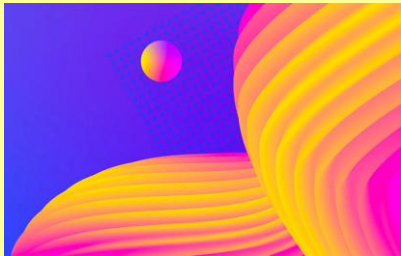
Details of our irresistible curriculum for this term can be found below.

Remember you can follow our Instagram feed and see what we are doing!

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| <p><b><u>English</u></b></p> <p>Key Texts:<br/>Arthur and the Golden Rope<br/>by Joe Todd-Stanton</p>  <p>The Darkest Dark<br/>By Chris Hadfield</p>  <p>Pupils will be using the ACE toolkits to write their own myth in Spring 1 and write a biography in Spring 2.</p> | <p><b><u>History</u></b></p> <p>We will be learning about the Victorian era and The Industrial Revolution, which transformed Manchester from a market town into the world's first industrial city.</p>                | <p><b><u>Maths</u></b></p> <p>This term, White Rose Maths focuses on multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, perimeter and area, and statistics.</p> <p>We will also be continuing to work on our arithmetic skills.</p>  |
|   | <p><b><u>Religious Education</u></b></p> <p>In Spring 1 we will be learning about Jesus' skills as a great teacher. In Spring 2 we will be looking at why Christians believe Easter is a celebration of victory.</p>  | <p><b><u>Physical Education</u></b></p> <p>PE lessons will take place every Monday morning and Thursday afternoon. Lessons will focus on netball and ball skill lessons, hockey, dance through the ages and tag rugby.</p>                          |

## Computing

Pupils will create their own vector drawings. They will learn how to use different drawing tools to help them create images. Pupils will group and duplicate these images to help them create more complex pieces of work.



## Science

In Spring 1, pupils will look at the properties of materials. They will begin this topic by testing different materials, looking specifically at magnetism, transparency and hardness. In Spring 2, pupils will look at animals (including humans) and life cycles.



## French

We will practise conversational phrases to allow us to engage in short dialogue with each other. We will respond to instructions given in French as well as using masculine and feminine nouns.



## PSHE

"Dreams and Goals" puzzle from our Jigsaw programme. This focuses motivation, steps to success. We will also be looking at "Healthy Me", which focuses on diet and exercise.



## Reminders

On PE days please send your children in their PE kits, which they will stay in for the entire day on Mondays and Fridays. Please be mindful that the children will need to wear tracksuit bottoms, or shorts, and tops or t-shirts; these need to be blue. Homework for maths and English will be set on Fridays, to be completed by the following Friday. Maths homework will be set online at [www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk). Reading books should be in school every day please. I am looking forward to a fantastic term and thank you in advance for all your support in these matters.

Mr. Aljilani 😊