

Year 5 update

R.E

Topic: To the ends of the Earth

- The children have been describing the gifts of the Holy Spirit and have thought about how they guide us to be good disciples of God.

This half term, the children have shown wonderful dedication and enthusiasm in planning and delivering prayer and liturgy, and we have been extremely impressed with their efforts.

Key vocabulary: wisdom, courage, knowledge counsel, fortitude, understanding, piety, fear of the Lord

English

Genre of writing: Narrative

Focus text: Boy in the Tower

- Children have been learning to use colons to create a dramatic pause in their writing.
- They have been learning how to use the 'Mention, mention, linger' technique to build suspense.

Key vocabulary: Zoom in, zoom out, mention, mention linger.

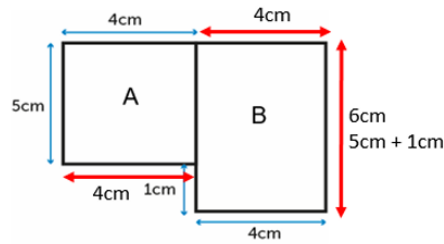
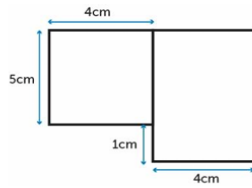
After half term children will be planning and writing their own narrative.

Maths

Topic: measurement

- Our Maths focus has been measurement, particularly calculating the perimeter of rectilinear shapes e.g.

Work out the perimeter of this composite shape:



$$\begin{aligned} A &= 5 + 4 + 4 = 13\text{cm} \\ B &= 1 + 4 + 6 + 4 = 15\text{cm} \\ \text{Total shape} &= 28\text{cm} \end{aligned}$$

**Key vocabulary:** perimeter, rectilinear, composite shapes, measurement, addition

Pre-teaching: after half term the children will be learning about angles. If your child would like to revisit their learning on angles from Year 4, this is a useful link.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z6q88xs>

### Science

Topic: forces and space

- The children have been exploring friction and how it can be applied to slow and stop moving objects.
- They carried out an experiment to test whether weight effects braking.

**Key vocabulary:** balanced, evaluate, friction, reliable, trustworthy, unbalanced

#### Extra information

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June school opens after half term.
- Parents and pupils are welcome to the reading morning on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. It begins at 8.25am in the activity studio.
- Year 5 and 6 Sports Day will take place on Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 - 3:30. The children can wear a T-shirt in the colour of their house for this event. Please note that the children still come to school in their school uniform as normal on this day.

Have a lovely half term,

The year 5 team