

## Homework Projects - Complete 2 of your choice

**Homework Deadline: 29th March 2019**

**Any projects produced will be displayed in our classrooms with our topic display.**

- Search to find out if the plague of the 14th century affected a village or town near you. What information can you find out?
- Write a letter to a child of the 21st century, imagining you are a peasant child of the 14th century. What could you tell them about your life?
- Design a coat of arms for your family. What symbols would you use and what would they represent? What would be your family motto?
- Find out what happens when something decomposes. Place an apple core, orange or grape in a transparent container and watch as it decomposes. Document what happens.
- Use a map of the UK to identify castles of the Middle Ages. Make a scrapbook or journal to research facts about one of them. Be prepared to present your scrapbook to others.
- Make a model rat out of papier mâché. Paint it to make it look realistic. Take a picture of your rat in different places but try not to scare anyone!



**Peasants, Princes and  
Pestilence**

**Year 5**

**Mrs Cooper & Miss Kalejs  
Spring Term 2 2019**

## Literacy

In Literacy this half term we will be focusing on embedding the elements of the Year 5 writing curriculum. The children will be focusing their writing around a range of novels, using these as inspiration for their creative writing. In reading, we will be extending our skills of inference and retrieval, applying these to shorter texts as well as extended books and stories.

## Computing

Using a range of ICT software, we will learn how to create information documents about The Plague as well as refining our research skills.

## Maths

Throughout Spring Term 2, children will be working on different units that look at fractions. We will be looking at equivalent fractions, mixed numbers and improper fractions as just a few examples.

**Please ensure children are continuing to practise fluent recall of their times tables.**

## RE

Over the half term, we will be learning about Islam and the festival of Eid.

## Science

We will be focusing on properties of materials and how they can change states through different scientific processes.

## Art/DT

As part of our topic, the children will be cooking some savoury dishes from the Medieval times. We will also be using different materials within Art and DT to create our own versions of fleas, rats and bacteria to explore how their life cycles work.

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### Things to remember!

#### **Reading**

Your child needs to bring their reading book and reading diary into school **every** day. Please sign their diary after you have listened to them read so that they can change their book. Children cannot bring books home to read if they do not have their book bag/bag in school.

#### **Spellings**

Children are given spellings weekly and will be tested weekly.

#### **P.E. Kit**

Please ensure your child has full P.E. kit every Monday and Thursday.

Thank you!

## PE

This half term, Year 5 will be using their coordination skills in dance and basket ball. We will also be improving our attack and defence skills as well as some team building activities.

## Topic

This half term, children in Y5 will thoroughly enjoy learning about Peasants, Princes and Pestilence with a focus on Medieval history. They will learn about the Plague and what caused it to spread so severely, as well as how they tried to prevent it. They will try some Medieval foods and they will also learn about the Feudal system.