



St Mary  
Magdalene  
Academy

## Autumn Term 1 Year 5 Curriculum Letter

### Unit of Inquiry

#### Where we are in time and place

Inquiry into **orientation** in **place** and **time**; personal **histories**;

homes and **journeys**; the **discoveries** **explorations** and **migrations** of humankind; the **relationship** between and interconnectedness of individuals and **civilisations** from **local** and **global perspective**.

#### Central idea

The evolution of ancient civilisations play an important part in shaping modern society

#### Lines of enquiry

The defining features of a civilisation  
The influence of the past on the present  
The development and decline of a civilisation



### English

We will be reading myths and legends and focussing on instruction writing based around the Danish legend of Beowulf. We will also be celebrating Black History Month by studying poetry by influential author Maya Angelou.

### Religious Education

We will be taking an in-depth look at the question: *What does it mean to be a Sikh?* In this unit we will be building on the children's knowledge of Sikhism from Year 4 by learning about the 5 ks and the gurdwara.

### Mathematics

We will be studying number and place value, addition and subtraction and multiplication and division, whilst continuing with Times Table Rockstars. Please remember to continue to access this now that you are in year 5.

A solid knowledge of timetables up to 12x12 is an essential in making the maths curriculum accessible and manageable for all children.

### Physical Education

This half term pupils will be working on team sports by playing hockey and football and practising skills associated with those sports.

### This half term's KIRF is:

During the first half term, we will be assessing and consolidating children's learning from the previous year, and homework will be set as appropriate.

### Homework

This will alternate between Maths and Literacy on a weekly basis, whilst spelling homework will also be given out each week.

Additionally, Unit of Inquiry homework will be handed out to complete over each holiday before the new unit begins.