

Oak – Mrs Wallace and Mrs Dowling

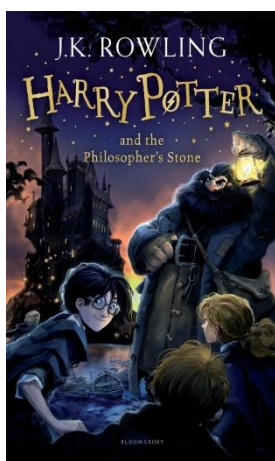
Chestnut – Miss Parker and Miss Baxendale

PE is taught by Mr. Campbell and French by Miss Baxendale and Miss Dowling.

#### Mathematics

This term we will learn about

1. Place Value
2. Addition and Subtraction
3. Statistics
4. Geometry (Angles)
5. Measures
6. Multiplication and Division
7. Fractions
8. Multiplication and Area
9. Time



#### English

This term, we will be continuing to develop our reading and writing skills through fiction and non-fiction outcomes. We will all become wizards as we study the world of Harry Potter and later write a detailed setting description of Diagon Alley! We will then explore the mythical beasts from the wizarding world and create a non-chronological text based on our own invented beasts. Later in the term, the children will also have the chance to write their own versions of the gripping tale of “The Legend of Gelert” using techniques seen in a range of legend stories. Throughout Year 5, we continue to look carefully at the key writing and grammar skills that we use in our writing to ensure we actively demonstrate our knowledge when writing independently.

#### Topic

During the Autumn term, we will be exploring South America through our “Brazilian Odyssey” unit. In Geography we will use and develop mapping, enquiry, investigation and ICT skills by exploring South America and its features before focusing on Brazil. We will learn about time zones and Brazilian street children as well as human and physical features. Art and Design will centre around creating self-portraits in the style of Latin American artist, Frida Kahlo. In Autumn 2 we will move on to our History unit in which we will be learning about discoveries made at Sutton Hoo. Design and Technology will draw upon this learning when we create our own Bayeux-style tapestries.

#### RE and French

In RE we will be exploring Christianity and Islam. In French we will be learning the vocabulary for shopping for food and drink, school subjects and Christmas.

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## Science

In Science this term we will learn that materials have different uses depending on their properties and state (liquid, solid, gas). Properties include hardness, transparency, electrical and thermal conductivity and attraction to magnets. Some materials will dissolve in a liquid and form a solution while others are insoluble and form sediment. Mixtures can be separated by filtering, sieving and evaporation. Some changes to materials such as dissolving, mixing and changes of state are reversible, but some changes such as burning wood, rusting and mixing vinegar with bicarbonate of soda result in the formation of new materials and these are not reversible.

## P.S.H.E.

As a school, we will continue to use the Dot.Com scheme to deliver these lessons. There will be two short lessons each week which will incorporate a variety of discussions and activities. Over Autumn term we will be exploring many themes including “About Me and Why I am Special”, “My Dreams” and “My Friends and Family”.

## PE

Year 5 PE lessons will take place on Monday and Tuesday. Please can the children come dressed in the correct PE kit for these days. Children should wear school PE kit with pumps for the hall or trainers for outdoor activities. No jewellery is permitted to be worn and children must bring a letter from home if they cannot participate in a PE lesson.

## Reading

All children will shortly be sent home with a reading book and reading record.

**Our school expectation is that children read at home a minimum of three times per week and that reading records are signed by an adult to reflect this.**

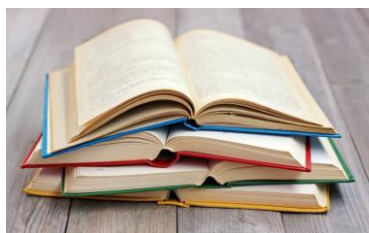
Please ensure that reading books and reading records are returned to school daily, as this will help us to monitor your child’s progress.

Children will also take part in four guided reading sessions per week. These group sessions will ensure that your child is reading a variety of texts, matched closely to their reading level, and gaining invaluable reading skills and a love of reading.

Reading for pleasure is also promoted at Lowerhouse Junior School through library visits, book corners in classrooms, whole class novels and time dedicated to reading books of choice.



# HOMWORK



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Children will be set times tables every Monday which is due to be completed by Friday. This gives the children four nights to complete their homework. Any children who are unable to access this at home will be given the opportunity to complete this in school, where possible. In addition to this the children are required to read their home reader and change this weekly as soon as the home readers have been distributed. If the book is substantial in length the children will have up to two weeks to complete their reading of it but their home school reading book should still be signed by an adult with a progress comment such as "Michael has read to page 125" once per week.

### **Additional Information**

All children will take part in collective worship, assemblies and achievement assemblies on a weekly basis. Upper Key Stage 2 assemblies will take place on Friday mornings with families of award winners being invited to attend. If your child is receiving an award in the assembly, then you will be notified by text the day before.

Thank you all for your support during your child's transition into Year 5 at Lowerhouse. Please communicate with school should you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning or any other issue. This can be done by contacting the school office by telephone or email (admin@lowerhouse.lancs.sch.uk) to arrange a telephone call with your child's class teacher.

Please ensure uniform meets the policy at all times, including jewellery, earrings and PE Kits as outlined in the policy document. This is available on the website or a copy can be provided upon request.

Class webpages will be updated fortnightly to ensure that you are kept up to date with what is going on in school. Weekly newsletters are also added to the website each Monday.

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