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During this half term the children in Year 5 will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	This term we will continue to develop a sound knowledge of grammar, specifically parts of speech, fronted adverbials and auxiliary verbs, and punctuation. We shall practice applying this in our writing. We will be using our Geography topic of 'Extreme Earth' as inspiration for our writing. We will be looking at descriptive writing and a newspaper report. We will also be looking at poetic writing. We will also spend time analysing and discussing a range of texts.	Read, Read, Read! Please continue to hear your child read several times each week, depending on how confident they are to read independently.. It helps them to develop ideas for their own writing as well as experiencing good sentence structure and a range of punctuation. As well as this, support your child, as appropriate, with their English homework and spellings. The Year 5 homepage on db primary has a glossary of grammar terms to help you to support your child.
Maths	This term we shall continue to work on the children's written arithmetic skills and they will have a weekly test. We shall work on their times tables each week so that they can confidently recall them. As well as continuing to work on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, we shall also be looking at place value, factors, primes, angles and converting between different measures. Every week we will apply our mathematical knowledge to a range of different tasks and real life situations. We shall also complete problem-solving tasks to help us to deepen our understanding.	Help your child to practice their times tables. At this point they should know all of their times tables up to 12x12 confidently. As well as this you can support your child as appropriate with their weekly maths homework. Any opportunity to work with different types of measures at home (such as weighing when cooking or baking) would be invaluable and help them to cement their understanding.
Science	This half term we will be looking at forces. We will learn about the effects of gravity, friction, air and water resistance, through a range of experiments, and build	Help your child to recognise different forces around them, such as friction causing a car to stop or gravity causing the post to fall to the ground.

	models to explore the ways in which pulleys, levers and gears work.	
Computing	This half term we will learn how to search for information effectively and efficiently, edit images on paint.net and to combine text and images on publisher.	Ask your child to search for information that you need on Google and to select the most appropriate link. Your child could also explain to you what they have learnt on publisher and how to edit images.
RE	This half term the children will be reflecting upon what they believe about God. We will also begin looking at Hinduism and finding out what Hindus believe about God and comparing it the beliefs of Christians.	Talk to your child about how everyone is different from each other – no one is the same! Talk about how religion is just one way in which people can be different and that it is important to respect different people’s views and opinions.
Geography	This half term we will be finding out about our Extreme Earth. We will find out about extreme weather conditions around the world, volcanoes, earthquakes and tsunamis.	Have a look at news articles together that are discussing any extreme forms of weather or climates. Discuss the impact that these forms of weather have on the land and on people.
PE	The children will be learning a game called fives and threes that is based upon netball. They will be looking at the different types of passes and how to effectively defend, attacks and work as a team.	The skills learnt in games are best practiced to perfect them. Give your child the opportunity to practise the skills they have been taught in school.
Music	This half term we will be completing a unit of work based upon ‘Don’t stop believin’ by Journey. They children will learn to perform the song with accompaniment and compare it to other music also produced in the 80s.	Listen to a range of music at home and discuss what they notice about the piece of music.
Art	This half term we will be looking at landscapes and observational drawing. The children will use watercolour to produce a tsunami landscape, complete observational drawings of flowers and look at the work of Tom Yendell.	Ask your child to show you a piece of art work by Tom Yendell and to discuss what they notice about it and whether they like it or not.