

Th' twelfth day of the fourth month of this year 2015

Avast Me Hearties,

It be a fine wind a blowin' th' younguns way alright. Them sprogs may be the sons and daughters of landlubbers but it'll be a Pirate's life for 'em for a full turn of the moon an' more.

Th' Capt'n have amassed a swag of doubloons tha'll bring buccaneers from the Seven Seas who'll impart the pirate ways. Th' young scallywags will show their true colours this Pirate Day, tha'll be th' 22nd day of the fifth month, they'll dress, talk and sing like th' true scourge of the seas.

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For the next five Mondays and Tuesdays all of Year Five will engage in hands on learning of a piratical nature. The main learning areas can be seen on the overview.

We have a map reading session to start us off today. Tomorrow will be a Curiosity Cafe styled day on Pirate stories. Next week we have two days of hands on science and technology - using knowledge of forces to create a Pirate Ship. A follow up day, the next week, sees us exploring simple machines. A day of mathematical puzzles is on that Monday.

The day following May bank holiday there will be a trip to the ocean (Cromer - letter to follow). The last week we will put on a Pirate play and create our own digital story. The final week of term is a test week (sadly not on pirates) but we have put aside the last day of half term for a Pirate Day. We would like all pupils to come dressed as a pirate for the day, Friday 22nd of May.

As well as these activities the pupils have a sheet of independent learning activities which will be used in school and for homework. The work they complete will be put in their pirate book. Please be aware that not all pirate related material are suitable for children - we will ask pupils to always put 'for kids' or 'for children' in their searches and would advise you to do the same if they do searches at home. Even an innocuous site such as International Talk Like a Pirate Day is not written for children. Many other sites are, and are full of great information. While we are aware that in real life pirates are not suitable role models we will discuss how our focus is on a fictional style of Pirate.

In 5C we will move our P.E. session with Mr Futter from Mondays to Wednesday, so please remember P.E. kits need to be in school on Wednesdays.

May ye have ye sea legs ready to weigh anchor and be away.

Heave to me hearties,

Scar Legged Jacklin