

The Glapton Academy

Year 5 Newsletter

Summer Term 2– 2023

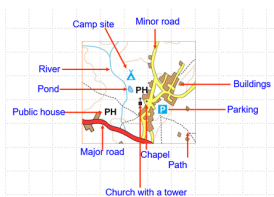


Fascinating Fieldwork

This half term, we will be developing our fieldwork skills. We will be using maps, atlases, globes and digital computer mapping, such as Google Earth, to locate countries and describe their features.

While reading maps, we will develop our knowledge of keys and symbols as well as beginning to use a 6 figure grid reference .

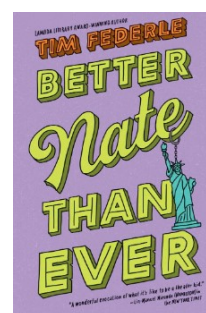
We will also take part in a fieldwork to observe, measure and record human and physical features of our locality, using the knowledge gained to sketch maps and graphs.



Book recommendation

Better Nate Than Ever by Tim Federle

A small-town 13-year-old boy escapes to New York City to audition for E.T.: The Musical on Broadway in a fantastic middle grade novel about casting calls, show tunes and dreams of stardom. A lovely story about learning to be (and love) yourself and growing up dreaming of seeing your name in lights.



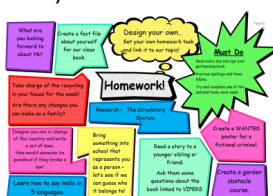
Homework

All children will be given homework every **Friday**. This must be completed by the following **Wednesday**.

Homework given will always be a reconsolidation of learning that has taken place in school.

In addition to this, a homework menu will be provided each half term. These tasks will cover a range of skills. Children can choose as many additional tasks as they like to fit in

with their busy schedules at home.



English

This term, we will be basing our learning around Benjamin Zephaniah, a poet, writer and musician. Dr Benjamin Obadiah Iqbal Zephaniah was born and raised in Birmingham. In 1991, over a 22-day period he performed on every continent on the planet. His first book of poetry for children called Talking Turkeys had to go into an emergency reprint after just 6 weeks, no one could foresee how popular the book would be, it went to the top of the children's book list and stayed there for months.

We will be writing our own poetry/song rap lyrics this block. Through this, we will be learning how to use informal language/grammar when appropriate and to use a range of rules to form verbs in the simple present and present progressive tense correctly.

We will also be looking at recounts/ Biographies to retell the life of Benjamin Zephaniah using parenthesis and complex sentences.



Maths

This half term, we will be moving on to learning about decimals. We will be learning how to add and subtract with decimals, within and across one, as well as multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. We will also interpret negative numbers and find different ways to count through 0.

We will be then moving on to converting measures. Firstly, we will be using our knowledge of multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000 to convert units of mass, length and capacity. We will also be learning how to convert units of time and will apply this into the context of interpreting timetables.

Finally, we will be learning how to estimate, calculate and compare the volume of 3D shapes.

Please do continue to encourage your children to log onto TT Rockstars at home. There is no trick to being able to do these other than practice so any support that you can give your child at home to learn these off by heart would be greatly appreciated.

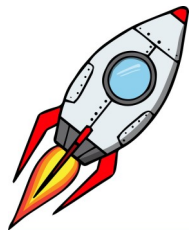


Maths Vocabulary

Tenths
Hundredths
Thousandths
Decimal Place
Negative Numbers
Multiples
Difference
Kilograms
Kilometres
Millimetres
Millilitres
Mass
Capacity
Metric
Imperial
Volume
Cubic Centimetres

Partnership Books

We will be continuing our reading reward system which was launched earlier this year. Each class will become '**Reading Rocketeers**' aiming to get to 'space' (200 reads) by the end of the academic year. Children are encouraged to read at home every day and to make a note in their partnership book every time they read outside of school. After every 20 reads, they will get one step closer to space and will be rewarded with a token which they can 'spend' on prizes and, of course, books!



Spellings

All children will be given spelling words to learn each **Friday**.

These should be practised at home as often as possible and different words with the same spelling pattern will be tested in school the following **Friday**.

PE

Our PE days will be on

Cherry—Wednesday

Hazel—Wednesday

this half term, however your child's PE kit must be in school every day as this can change. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit clearly labelled with their name.

PE kit consists of:

Plain white t-shirt

Black shorts (inside)

Plain black joggers and top (outside)

Trainers (outside)

Safety message - Earrings must be removed by for PE days.

Dates for your diary

27th June to 4th July—School Book Fair

30th June—Enterprise Day

7th July—Parent Drop-ins

WB 10th July—Children's topics week

28th July—Children break up for the summer holidays.

We are looking forward to working with you and your child again this term.

Miss Haywood

Mrs Johnson