

Year 5 Newsletter Term 2 Autumn 2017

Welcome back! We hope you have had a fantastic half term break! We are really excited to begin our learning again in Year 5 and we have lots of exciting learning planned! This term, our topic is 'Transatlantic explorers!' during which we will be focusing our topic work using geographical skills.



English

During our English lessons this term, learning will be based on our topic and we will be focusing on many different types of genres. We will be reading the stories 'The Man who Walked Between The Towers' and 'King Kong' by Anthony Browne. This will then lead to us writing our own newspaper reports and suspense writing amongst other things! Each week we will be delivering grammar lessons and also giving out spellings for children to learn at home.

Maths

This year, maths lessons will be focusing on the objectives set out in the new national curriculum. We will continue to focus on the four operations, ensuring that we are secure in both our mental and written methods. We will also be learning about fractions and decimals. However, in geometry we will focus on position and direction.

Science

Science this term focuses on 'Earth and Space'. We will be investigating the solar system and our Earth's relationship with other spherical bodies in space. We will also be learning about the length of time required for a planet to complete a full orbit around the sun. We will also be working scientifically to carry out a number of enquiries to develop our knowledge and understanding of how to carry out an experiment.

Topic

Our topic this term has a geography focus. Throughout the term we will be developing our map skills; locating the major cities and regions within the UK, Looking at the physical geographical differences between New York and London. We will also be cooking during our DT learning, this term we have incorporated our Spanish learning along with our DT learning and will be preparing Spanish dishes!

S.R.E.

This term in SRE, we will be teaching the following objective:

- To understand more about the physical and emotional changes that occur during puberty (hygiene).

If you have any questions or queries regarding this please see you child's teacher.

P.E.

Year 5 will be having PE sessions. The first lesson will be held outside and this terms focus is Rugby. The second PE session will be an indoor session where we will be developing our Dance skills. Please ensure your child has the correct PE uniform (white t-shirt, black/blue shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers).

Home learning

Every Friday, children will be given maths and English work to be completed by the following Wednesday. Children will be rewarded with stickers when home learning is handed in on time!

Alongside the numeracy and literacy home learning, there will also be a project based around our topic, '**Transatlantic Explorers**' that children can complete at home.

Children will be given a home reading book each week. Each child is required to read the entire book before returning it on their designated day. They will be expected to discuss the book they have read that week. Children are also invited to choose books from our class library as and when they need changing.

A polite reminder

Thank you to all parents who have paid their £20 annual trips, visitors and workshops contribution.

For Term 2, our visitor will be the science dome which is aimed to inspire our children's learning about the Earth, Sun and Moon.

If you have not yet paid your £20 annual contribution, please can you do so as soon as possible to ensure this trip/visitor can take place. Regretfully, if we do not receive enough contributions, then we will be unable to run some of the trips and experiences we have planned.

Once again thank you all for your support!
Miss Rodgers , Miss Bakosi and the year 5 team.

