

Year 5's Newsletter

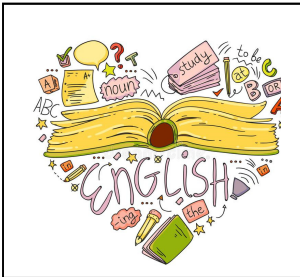
Dear Parents,

I hope that you all had an enjoyable Summer break. As the children settle back into school routines and are getting ready for the challenges ahead, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the children's learning over the coming half-term.



Religious Education

In Religion, our topic is 'Ourselves'. We will begin by looking at the links between our beliefs about talents and qualities, how we use them and how they affect others.



English

Our first unit in English is non-fiction. We will be learning how to write a diary entry based on the significant events in a person's life. We will focus on engaging the reader through use of description, feelings and opinions. We will use adverbs, fronted adverbials and rhetorical questions to engage the reader.

Maths

In Maths, we are focusing on place value before moving on to addition and subtraction.



Times table knowledge will really benefit the children's understanding, so continued extensive times table practice at home would be highly appreciated. Please continue to encourage your child to use TT Rockstars regularly.

We are aiming to improve our Arithmetic knowledge in class. A way that you could help your child 'beat their score' is by going through the Arithmetic paper that is sent home weekly with them.

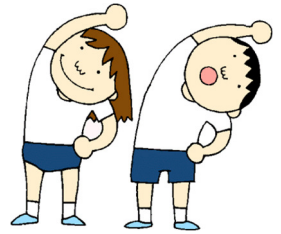
Science

This half term we will be learning about Life cycles. We will start by identifying different parts of plants and understanding how insects help plants to reproduce. We will also look at how animals reproduce.



P.E

The children will have 2 session of P.E a week, which are on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Remember that your child needs to come to school in their P.E kit on both of these days (White t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/joggers, black pumps or black trainers and their school jumper).



Geography

Our Geography unit is all about Scandinavia. We will explore all of the different countries within Scandinavia whilst exploring their differences in landscapes and how they live.

Art

In Art, we will be exploring printing. We will explore how imagery was used from the 'Space Race' era and how it influenced art and design. The children will start by using sketchbooks to explore drawing through a line, tone, shape and features and experimenting with materials and tools. We will gain our inspiration from Teis Albers' piece 'Moonwalk'. The children will then have the opportunity to create a collagraph printing plate and create their own space inspired artwork.

Reading

Reading books must be in school every day. Please ensure that you are reading regularly with your children and signing their reading records. When the children have finished reading, ask them questions about the book. This helps to develop their comprehension skills. When they have finished their book, they will take a quiz to test their understanding and then they will have it changed. In addition to this, we will do a daily whole class guided reading session where we read a text together and answer questions about it.

Homework

Children will be expected to read at home as regularly as possible. Please can your child also have access to ttrackstars to continue to practice their times tables regularly. There may be times when I send additional work home with children to assist their learning within school. Please can I ask that when this happens that you encourage your child to complete this work.

Thank you for your continued home support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Chapman

