

## Year 5 Newsletter: Summer 1

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable half term. The children all worked so hard in the last term, we can't wait to get started on our new learning. Mr Brannan, Miss Swan-Francis and Miss Dalrymple are all looking forward to the next term ahead and we have lots of exciting things planned!

### Maths

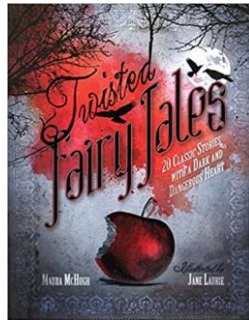
We will be starting this half term with a unit on statistics, before working on shape. We will then be moving onto understanding of positioning and direction. Finally, we will finish the term by working with decimals. The work on decimals will cross over into Summer 2.

### English

This half term, the pupils will be studying the book 'Twisted Fairy Tales' by Maura McHugh. Through this work, we will be exploring character and setting descriptions, and writing our own alternative ending to a fairy tale. We are also looking forward to building our knowledge of narrative writing.

### Science

In this topic, the children will be learning about Animals including Humans. The children will learn about the stages of growth and development in humans. We will also work scientifically by researching the gestation periods of other animals, and comparing them with humans by finding out and recording the length and mass of a baby as it grows.



### DT

This term we will be focusing on weaving. The children will create designs similar to dream-catchers. This topic will be completed throughout Summer 1 and Summer 2 and will link closely to the Mayan topic, in reference to their beliefs and traditions.

### Geography

In geography this term, we will be looking at Mountains and Rivers and exploring their physical and human geography. By the end of the term, the children will be able to identify how mountains and rivers are formed and the features of each.

### PE/PSHE

In PE this half term, the children take on the unit: Aim/Strike/Retrieve, which works primarily on throwing, catching and striking skills. PSHE this term will ensure that the children understand how to keep safe and manage risks.

### Music/RE

In music this half term, we will be continuing our journey with Charanga music; we will be enjoying listening to and performing 'Dancing in the Street'. We will explore the history of Motown music alongside this. RE- The theme this half term is 'Does a beautiful world mean there is a wonderful God?'

### 'Our' Place in 'Our' World.

Year 5 will be exploring the life cycle of humans to understand Our Place in Our World.

### Aspiring Entrepreneurs

This term we will continue to develop our growth mindset and resilience by reflecting on our own work and looking for opportunities to improve and up-level.

### Healthy and Happy Living

The children will be learning about how to keep safe in the world, including their online presence and how they can manage the risks.

### Inquisitive Investigators

During World Maths Day, the children will be exploring 'How does the wingspan of a paper plane affect the distance it flies?'

### Important Information & Dates to Remember:

- 5SF will have their PE lessons on a **Monday**, as they will be working with a sports coach. Please send your child to school in their PE kit each Monday.
- 5EB and 5ED will have their PE lesson on a **Tuesday**. Please send your child to school in their PE kit each Tuesday.
- Year 5 children will finish school at 3:15 pm and can be collected from the lower KS2 playground. They **WILL NOT** be allowed to walk home on their own without handing in a completed walking letter. **Please phone school or send a note** if your child is being collected by a sibling or friend.
- Please send your child with a named water bottle every day.
- Please continue to support your child by reading with them at home and logging it on Boomreader.
- Children will receive maths and SPAG homework **every Friday**, Children are expected to complete this homework every week and return it to school before the **Friday deadline**.
- Please also ensure that your child practices their spellings for a spelling test each Friday.
- Your child will read with an adult in school on a 1:1 basis so please ensure that their book bag is in school **every day**. This book will then be sent home to complete or to be re-read and will be at your child's reading level.
- The last day of this half term will be **24th May 2024**.

Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions or comments. Thank you for your continued support.