

Year 5 Newsletter: Summer 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to a new term! We hope that you have all enjoyed the half term break! Our final term has arrived and we are looking forward to filling the next 7 weeks with more engaging and exciting opportunities. Miss Dalrymple, Miss Swan-Francis and Mr Brannan.

Maths

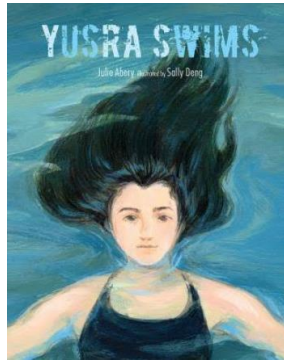
This half term, we will be focusing on decimals, negative numbers, and converting units of measure and volume. We will also include consolidation activities from across the year. We will also be undertaking a mock sats week in order to assess progress and areas for development moving forward. This will be a good experience for your child, ahead of moving into Year 6.

English

In English, we will be looking at a book called *Yusra Swims*. This topic will give the children an opportunity to look at refugees and teach them the importance of resilience. We will be using this book to help us write descriptive pieces, to write in role and to write non-chronological reports.

Computing/DT

In **Computing** we will return to Scratch and develop the skills we learned earlier in the year. We will be writing programmes that ask questions and control the outcomes with selections similar to a quiz. Our **DT** learning will link to our History topic this term. We will design, create and evaluate a woven dreamcatcher.



Science

Our Science topic this half term is primarily RSE, during which your child will learn more about growing up. Mrs McAvooy will shortly be sending out details for a parent meeting where we will share more information on the Year 5 RSE curriculum. We will also be learning about scientific skills and working scientifically through a number of investigations.

History

This term we will be learning all about the Ancient Maya. We will be seeking to answer questions around the most important events of the Ancient Maya time period - does Leeds share any similarities to a Mayan city and would we eat any of the Ancient Mayan foods?

RE/PSHE

Our **PSHE** lessons this term will share a cross-curricular link to science as we complete our RSE unit of work. This term we will explore buildings that are important to Christians in **RE**. We will visit St Marys Church to inspire our own stained glass window designs.

PE/Music

This half term, we will be competing in Sports Day and other summer athletics. In **Music** we will be focusing on the topic **Reflect, Rewind and Replay** where we will create our own compositions and perform it to our classes.

Our Place in 'Our' World.

Understanding modern society through studying the similarities and difference of the Ancient Maya and their society.

Aspiring Entrepreneurs

We will be taking part in **Money Week** this half term. The children will each receive £1 and need to create a product for the **Enterprise Fair** on 20th June 2024.

Healthy and Happy Living

We will be taking part in Sports Day and proving what our strong bodies are capable of in sporting competition!

Inquisitive Investigators

As part of our Science this term, children will be doing investigations, such as looking at the effect of air resistance on parachutes.

Important information:

- **5ED** will have their PE lesson on a **Monday**. This is because they have a sports coach. Please send your child to school in their PE kit each **Monday**.
- **5SF and 5EB** 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. As the weather warms up you might also consider applying sun cream to your child before school.
- Please continue to support your child by reading with them at home and logging it on Boom Reader.
- 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.
- Weather permitting, the Year 5/6 Sports Day will be on **Tuesday 4th June** (9.30-11.45).
- RSE lessons will be taught w/c **1st July**. More information to follow shortly.
- The last day of term will be **19th July 2024**.

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