



Year 5 – Spring Term



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a peaceful holiday. Here you will find important information for this term.

Many thanks for your support and encouragement of the children already this term. Miss Thomas and Mrs Taylor

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| Reading | A Monster Calls The Boy at the Back of the Class There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom Gregor the Overlander |
| Writing | Non-Fiction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biography - astronauts • Report - book review Fiction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personification Poetry • Narrative – adventure to another planet • Narrative – suspense and thriller |
| GAPS | Active and passive voice, commas to clarify meaning, similes, co-ordinating conjunctions, using a thesaurus, possessive apostrophes, direct speech, semicolons, fronted adverbials and relative clauses. |
| Maths | Multiplication and Division Fractions – equivalent, improper, mixed Decimals and percentages Shape |
| Science | Earth and Space Forces |
| Computing | Coding Internet Safety Flat file databases |
| Geography | North America – climate and landscape |
| R.E. | If God is everywhere, why go to a place of worship? How do people from religious and non-religious communities celebrate festivals? |
| Music | Madina tun Nabi – Glockenspiels Building a Groove |
| Art | Painting – abstract images of Space |
| D.T. | Pulleys and Gears |
| Spanish | Food People around me |
| P.E. | Swimming Fitness Football |
| PSHE | Wellbeing Protecting the Environment Using the Internet Safely |

Homework

Reading

Children should read for at least 15 minutes every day at home. Please sign their Reading Journal when they read to you (at least twice a week). If your child reads to themselves, they should record this in their Reading Journal themselves.

Weekly Homework

There will be a weekly homework task set each Friday – the subject will vary from week to week, depending on what we are covering in class. Most weeks the homework will be sent home in paper form and a photo of the completed work should be uploaded to Google Classroom before the following Thursday.

These activities will either consolidate previous learning, or act as preparation for upcoming learning.

Times Tables Rock Stars

Children should log onto TTRockstars for a 10 minute session at least 3 times a week.

Spelling

As a school we will no longer be having formal spelling tests each week. Instead time will be spent teaching spelling rules in school to achieve longer term retrieval. The rules Year 5 cover are based on the Year 5/6 Spelling List. You may wish to visit these at home to complement the work we are doing in school. A copy of the weekly lists and 5/6 list can be found on our Year 5 Google Classroom.

PE

Our Fitness/Football sessions will be on Mondays (children should come to school in their PE kit).

Swimming will be on Friday afternoons (children should come to school in their normal school uniform).