# Year 5 Newsletter – Autumn 2

## Coming up this half term...

In Maths this half term, we are focusing on fractions. We will find equivalent fractions, we will convert improper fractions to mixed numbers and vice versa. We will compare and order fractions below and above 1. We will then add and subtract fractions in a variety of ways. Times tables and division facts will really help children to understand fractions so please continue to practise them regularly at home.

For English this half term, we will be looking at the story of Hansel and Gretel and writing a narrative recount letter aswell as reading our class novel - 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell.

In Science, we will be identifying forces and will find out about Sir Isaac Newton and his discoveries about gravity.

In Geography this half term, we will be looking at the Mediterranean with a particular focus on the South Aegean region of Greece.

In R.E, we will be studying places of worship for the Christian, Hinduism and Islamic faiths.

In DT, the children will be given the chance to discover the exciting and diverse choice of food available around the world.

In PSHRE, we will be looking at themes such as good choices, mindfulness and applying a growth mindset to their daily lives.

### Homework

Our homework project for this half-term is to design and create their ideal holiday/destination They can either make a model with a written explanation, create a PowerPoint or write a travel brochure or a leaflet to share with the rest of the class.

Examples of themes — theme parks, sports world, animal kingdoms.

The project is due in on Monday 16th December.

Even though the children have completed the official Multiplication Tables Check, we would still like the children to use TT Rockstars on a regular basis, focusing on the facts they find trickiest or by completing real-life word problems.

Please encourage your child to use Spelling Shed to practise weekly spellings.

Reading books can be sent in any day. The children need to be changing their books at least three times per week and reading to an adult regularly at home.

### Dates for your diary

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November — Christmas Shopping Evening Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November — Children in Need Day Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December — Christmas Tree Festival at Holy Trinity Church, Ossett Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December — Christmas Concerts Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December — Christmas Dinner Day. Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December — Pantomime in school. Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December — Year 5 Party Day/Finish school for Christmas

#### P.E

P.E for this half term will be on Tuesdays. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing the correct *indoor* P.E kit. Please make sure long hair is tied back and earrings are removed.

As always, if you have any worries or questions, please feel free to message us on Class Dojo and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Mrs Harrison and Mr Lewty