

Year 5 Newsletter – Spring 1

Coming up this half term...

In Maths this half term, we are focusing on multiplication and division, using formal written methods, including the “bus shelter”. Then we will move onto more fraction work of multiplying fractions, calculating fractions of a quantity and fractions of amounts.

For English this half term, we will use Raysha’s Escape to inspire us to write a recount diary and then move onto Raysha vs Aashman to inspire us to write a narrative. As our main reading text this half term will be concentrating on ‘Holes’ by Louis Sacher.

As Scientists, we will compare and group together everyday materials on the basis of their properties, including their hardness, solubility, transparency, conductivity (electrical and thermal), and response to magnets.

In Geography, this half term, we will be looking at the economic activity of the UK.

As theologians, we will explore the key question ‘What is it like to be a Muslim in Britain today?’

In Art, we will be following the Explore and Draw pathway looking at typography and how artists use fonts to create art.

Homework

In relation to our current reading book ‘Holes’, our homework project for this half-term is to create a prison – it could be a themed prison. Remember, what a prison is for! This could be in the form of a model, detailed drawings, with descriptions or some form of ICT presentation.

Homework should be returned by Monday 9th February when it will be presented to the rest of the class.

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. They also need to become more competent with their division skills. A useful website is www.arcademics.com/games/demolition

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

Reading books/records 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 10th February – Swimming lessons start – see separate letter.

Thursday 12th February – end of term disco, more details to follow.

Thursday 12th February – school closes for half term (one week)

Any other relevant dates will be added onto our class Dojo.

P.E

P.E for this half term will be on Mondays. 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