



Year 5 Weekly Update: Monday 10th August 2018

Messages:

Welcome back! We hope everyone has had a wonderful summer. The Year 5 teachers this year are Eugene, Thanjila and Alex and the TAs working in Year 5 are James and Pauline. Our meet the teacher meeting will be on **Tuesday 11th September at 3.40pm**. Please come along to meet the staff working with your child and to receive important information about Year 5. Year 5 will have P.E. on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure they have the Duncombe P.E. kit in every Tuesday.

Maths:

This week we are starting to explore number and place value. The children will be revising their knowledge from previous years and securing their understanding of digits, numbers and number patterns. We will explore problems that require the children to identify how their knowledge of the times tables can be applied in real life situations.

The children must know the timetables up to 12 and related division facts if they are going to achieve in year 5 maths.

Writing:

We will spend the first three weeks of this year working on the Year 5 writing statements so all pupils understand the Year 5 writing expectations and know what they are aiming for at the end of the year. This week we will focus on audience and purpose.

Reading:

Children will now have one hour reading lessons so they have as much opportunity to read as possible. This week children will take their STAR test so that they are ready to take books home in the correct reading range. Please check their reading diaries for this information.

Spellings:

Each week children will be given a list of spellings to learn on which they will be tested on Fridays. Please check which spelling list your child should practise and find time to help them at home. Children will also be given a perfect paragraph to complete each week.

Topic:

Our topic this half term is Anglo Saxons. Please encourage your child to do their own research on this topic to bring back and share with the class. This week, children will explore important events in British History and placing these in order!

Science:

This half term, the Year 5 science topic is Properties and Materials. As we are sure you will be interested in supporting your child at home, we recommend that you take your child to the science museum to allow them to develop their knowledge and ignite their enthusiasm. Over the term, the children will be taking part in some practical experiments, which they will plan and carry out.

Compulsory Homework: The following activities are compulsory and must be completed in order to help your child reach the expected Year 5 level.

- Spellings and Perfect Paragraph
- Reading every day for 1 hour
- Mathematics Homework

Optional Homework

- Children will still be given the option to complete Topic and Science homework if they wish. Every child is welcome to attend Lucy's homework club for support and access to the Internet every Thursday lunchtime.