



Year 5 Newsletter – Autumn Term 2020

Firstly, I would just like to say what an enjoyable first week we have had in year 5 and welcoming the children back after such a long time! All the children have settled in really well to the many new routines that we have and have been behaving sensibly & maturely - long may that continue!

In year 5 as well as having Mr Weston as the class teacher, we are also fortunate to benefit from Mrs Moore who will be teaching all day on Fridays & Mrs Merriman will be teaching on Wednesday afternoons. Our teaching assistant is Mrs Ashington, who has a wealth of experience and skills within this age group so it is really like having 2 teachers each day for year 5 this year!

Please find below an outline of the main objectives and curriculum content which we will be covering over this term (up until Christmas).

ENGLISH:

'If' Poetry
First Person Accounts
Dialogue
Letters
Journalistic
Narrative Poetry

MATHS:

Number & Place Value
Addition & Subtraction
Statistics
Multiplication & Division
Measurement: Area & Perimeter

SCIENCE:

Earth, Sun & Moon
Living Things & Their Habitats



COMPUTING:

Online Safety
Databases (eg. Excel & Purple Mash)

GEOGRAPHY:

Local Fieldwork
Countries, Cities & Regions around the world

HISTORY:

St Ives & Local history

LANGUAGES – SPANISH:

Greetings, numbers to 50, colours, family members, Christmas

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

TUESDAY – Athletics & Games with Mr Weston
FRIDAY – Dance/Gymnastics with Mrs Moore

R.E:

Religions around the world

P.S.H.C.E:

Mental Health – emotions & feelings
Managing my money

HOMEWORK & PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT:

Please continue to support your child at home by checking in with their reading and encouraging them to read regularly. Discussing what they have read, will not only consolidate their comprehension skills but will also develop their evaluative skills too. It's like anything, the more practise the better they will become and that is certainly our hope for this key area of the curriculum. Weekly spellings will also be shared each week & please be aware of the new APP/website we have signed up to called 'SPELLING SHED'. This is a much more interactive and fun way for your child to practice their spellings. Please check that your child is logging on to this as much as



possible and any help that you can give to them to practise them away from the technology, would be most appreciated too (eg. at the breakfast table, on the way to/home from school etc).

Maths homework will continue to be set on TT Rockstars. 'Talk Homework' tasks will usually be set at the start of new topics/class texts. There is no expectation for your child to produce a written outcome for this, however if they do want to write/type something up for this that is fine.

Finally, I am so pleased with how quickly your child has settled into life in this class and I'm really looking forward to working with them throughout this academic year. I'm very hopeful that this group of pupils can achieve excellent results after seeing the work they have produced during this first week of term.

Kind Regards

Mr Weston