



YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER

Spring 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I trust that you had a lovely Christmas and may I take this opportunity to thank you for all of the Christmas cards and presents I received this year. It has been great to see everyone return to school looking refreshed and eager to learn! This letter contains some information about the learning we will be completing during the spring term. I hope you will find it both informative and useful.

Please come and speak with me if you have any queries or concerns. Mr Kay

English

Our focus will be on:

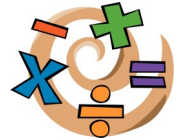
- ⇒ Grammar, punctuation and spelling. For example relative clauses, fronted adverbials and parenthesis.
- ⇒ Narrative and non-fiction reading and writing linked to "Oranges in No Mans Land" by Elizabeth Laird
- ⇒ Poetry. We will be focusing on Narrative poems this term
- ⇒ Comprehension. Our focus this term will be on reading for information retrieval.



Maths

We will be focusing on:

- ⇒ Number and Place Value
- ⇒ Mental calculation
- ⇒ Statistics—We will be focusing on data handling and mapping information on a variety of graphs.
- ⇒ Measurement—our focus will be on converting and also on problem solving
- ⇒ Fractions, ratio and proportion



R.E.

This term we will focus on Christmas, Parables of Jesus, Lent and Holy Week.



Reading

Regular reading is very

important for all children, to develop skills in all areas of learning.

We will hear each child read at least once each week.

Children are expected to comment in their records as they read, and an adult at home should sign them to show that they have heard them read.

Please encourage your children to read a variety of genre and especially to read for pleasure! They could read actual books or online through Bug club.



www.bugclub.co.uk

www.activelearnprimary.co.uk

www.educationcity.com

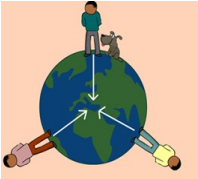
Log on to practise English and Maths skills at home.

P.E. lessons will be on Tuesday p.m. Please make sure that P.E. kits are in school all week. If your child has pierced ears, please remove their earrings on that day.



Science

This term in science we will be studying 'Forces'. And 'Living things and their habitats'.



Computing

The children will be developing their digital programming skills this term, using Scratch and Flowol.

Be smart on the internet



Humanities

This term the children will be learning about the English Civil War and also Volcanoes and Earthquakes.



Art/DT

This term we will be looking at Still Life and Erupting volcanoes.



Music

Before half term we will be studying the song Make you feel my Love. After half term we will be looking at HipHop music.

Fruit and Milk

We encourage children to bring in a named water bottle to drink from, at break times and after P.E. Please ensure that it has an easy-drink cap to limit any spillages.

Children can also bring a fruit snack each day.

The children will be asked to complete a project for after half term all about the English Civil War. More information to follow...



Homework—Key Information:

English/Maths: One piece of English and one piece of Maths will be sent out on a **Friday** and is due in on the following **Wednesday** morning.

Spelling test— is on a **Wednesday** and new spellings will be sent out on **Wednesdays**.

Reading—Children must have their reading books and reading records in school **every day**.

Times tables—It is important for children to practise Mental arithmetic skills regularly, particularly multiplication tables and the related division facts.

Patron Saint

St Catherine of Alexandria is Year 5's Patron Saint.

St Catherine: **pray for us.**

REMINDERS

- ⇒ PLEASE check that all uniform, PE kit, outdoor clothing and bags (including shoes) are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- ⇒ PLEASE make sure that nail varnish, make up and tattoos are removed.
Thank you.