

Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 Spring 2 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the spring term. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

<u>PE day</u> is Tuesday: please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them.

<u>Homework</u> will go out on Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

<u>Reading Journals</u> – please ensure children complete a journal entry every day and bring this into school.

<u>Free writing books</u> – the children are able to use this book to write whatever they wish in, Our Topic for this half term is: Rivers and Coasts.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Maths we are strengthening our knowledge of place value through investigations, comparing, ordering and sequencing numbers. We are also working on strategies concerning the four operations, geometry, statistics and problem solving.

We will continue to test our times table knowledge and improve our mental maths skills.

In Jewish Studies we are exploring Purim and moving onto preparations for Pesach.

In Geography, we are looking at the development of rivers and coasts. We will be exploring the journey of a river and the factors that affect this.

In Literacy, we will perfect our persuasive writing

skills and explore different mediums of

persuasion including adverts, speeches and letter.

We will also write to instruct using recipes related

to Purim and develop our vocabulary and poetry

skills through spoken word.

Our Science, we are looking at Animals and Living Things. We are exploring and comparing the life cycle of mammals, insects, amphibians and birds. We will also be describing the process of reproduction in plants and animals and dissecting lilies.

In ICT we will be developing our coding skills using Purple Mash and integrating ICT in all of our subjects, particularly topic.

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In PE we will be continuing to improve our technique and strategy through games and circuit.

In RE we will be discussing why it is important to remember the past via the story of Pesach.

Our theme in PHSCE this term is relationships. We will be discussing our feelings, emotions, empathy, and friendship and how our feelings are affected by changing events in life.