



## Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 & 6 - Autumn 2 - 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Autumn 2! We would like to share our curriculum overview with you about all the great learning that we have coming up this term.

Please note:

- PE day will be **Wednesday** so please ensure you have your full PE kit in on these days including trainers. PE will be outside so make sure you have the appropriate kit to keep warm when it starts getting colder!
- Homework will be handed out on a **Thursday** to be returned on a **Tuesday**. Children will receive literacy and numeracy homework as well as spellings. They are also expected to be reading and practising their times tables on TT Rockstars.

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

In literacy, we will be working on our unit using the Three Little Pigs Guardian advert. This will involve writing newspaper reports, witness statements, interviews and discussion texts. We'll also be working on our grammar and spelling skills weekly and during morning work.

In maths, we will be working on long division, factors, primes and BODMAS. After this unit, we'll be moving onto fractions. We will be applying these skills into a variety of problems. We'll also be working on our arithmetic and times tables skills each morning.

This term in Jewish Studies, the children will be focusing on Chodesh and reading. We will also be preparing for our upcoming Chanukah performance!

## **Our topic: Colombia**

In art this term, Salvador Dali and surrealism is our focus.

In PE, our focus is hockey. We will be learning how to control the ball and practising the skills involved before playing full matches.

In RE, we will be learning about the religion of Islam and the festival of Eid al-Adha. We will also be looking at the pilgrimage to Mecca.

Our geography focus is Colombia. We will be considering the location of Colombia using map skills and longitude and latitude. We'll also be learning about the physical and human features of Colombia.

In science, our topic is the circulatory system. We will be learning about the functions of the heart, lungs, blood and blood vessels as well as considering how to keep our hearts healthy. As part of this topic we will also be taking part in a real heart dissection!