

Curriculum Newsletter for Year 5 & 6 - Autumn 1 - 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had an enjoyable break and are looking forward to the new school year. 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 **Monday** so please ensure you have your full PE kit in on this day including trainers. We also jog/run a daily mile and your child should have appropriate footwear for this, i.e. trainers.
- 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 Numeracy, we will start by focusing on number and place value, negative numbers and the four operations. We will be building on our previous learning before applying these skills to reasoning and problem solving. We'll be working on our arithmetic and times tables skills daily.

Our topic:

'The Industrial Revolution'

Our History focus is 'The Industrial Revolution'. This unit of work explores this transformative period in British history and the impact that it had on the rest of the world. In Jewish Studies we will be working on our Hebrew reading and learning about the upcoming Jewish festivals including Rosh Hashanah. Yom Kippur. Sukkot. Simchat Torah and Shemini Atzeret.

In PE. our focus is kwik-cricket. We will learn and practise the required skills and rules before applying these to full games.

> Our first computing focus will be programming using Scratch to make our own games. We will also use our computing skills across a range of other subjects

In Inrit. our focus is vocabulary associated with festivals. the classroom and winter clothes.

In Literacy, we will start by writing newspaper reports based on a book titled 'King Kong'. We will be using this book as inspiration for our own newspaper report writing.

In Music, we will learn about cyclical patterns and Balinese Gamela.

In Science, children will build on their knowledge and understanding of Animals including humans.

In PHSCE/RSE, our focus will be rights and responsibilities and democracy. We will be thinking about our roles and responsibilities for the New Year, both in and out of school.