



Year 5

Summer Newsletter



Welcome back everybody to the Summer Term in Class 5. I hope that you all had a wonderful Easter break and feel refreshed ready for the final term of Year 5. We have had a fantastic year so far in Year 5 and have lots of exciting things planned for the Summer Term. As always, should you have any questions or concerns then please either make an appointment at the school office or pop round to the classroom at the end of the day.

Curriculum

This term in Year 5 our topic title is 'Derbyshire Dales'. In Geography we will be preparing for our residential to Castleton by locating the Derbyshire Dales and investigating the features of the landscape. We will also be taking part in our 'Healthy Half Term' during which we will welcome in people from the Great Project, conduct our RSE lessons and learn about healthy choices, including making healthy burgers. In Science, we learn about the human lifecycle in our Animals, including humans topic, before moving onto learn about Forces such as gravity and different types of resistance.

In English, we will begin the term by studying poetry. During this topic we will be using the book 'Broccoli Boy' to support our learning. We will also be studying poems such as 'The Highway Man' and The Lady of Shallot to help with our understanding of the genre.

In maths we have a number of topics to cover this term, including shape and position and direction

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL CLOTHES AND WATER BOTTLES ARE LABELLED CLEARLY WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME AND CLASS.

P.E.

Our P.E. sessions will take place on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday** afternoon. Our focus for the first half term will be athletics. Please ensure that your child is equipped with the correct P.E. kit: white t-shirt, dark shorts/trousers and suitable footwear. Earrings must be removed.



Reading



Reading is vitally important and helps with all areas of your child's development. **We expect children to read with an adult three to four times a week and this is to be logged into their reading diaries.** Please ensure reading books are in school each day.

Diary Dates/Reminders

25th April - Into University
TBC - Castleton parents meeting
20th-21st May - Year 5 Castleton Residential

Your child should have brought home their 'Knowledge Organiser' for this term. On this you will find lots of important facts that we will be learning about in our lessons this term. We would encourage children to study these and learn the information on them as much as possible to support the work we are doing in class.

We are having a big push on learning our times tables this year. The children have done amazingly at this. This half term we will be recapping on all of our times tables up to 12 x 12. Any practice the children can put in at home will be of huge benefit.

Homework

We don't have any official homework but we do have learning websites for the children to use at home. Firstly, we have Reading Eggs, which is a great resource for practising reading, spelling and grammar skills. In addition to this, we have Times Table Rockstars which is a fantastic website to help improve our times table knowledge and rapid recall. If your child doesn't know their log in then please let me know and I will print a copy off for them again.