

Year 5 Spring 2 Newsletter 2023

I hope everyone had a lovely half term break. We are already half way through the year! I am looking forward to another term of fantastic learning.

I hope that any questions you have about this term will be answered in this newsletter, but if you are unsure about anything or wish to speak to me for any reason, please don't hesitate to catch me at the end of the day or arrange an appointment with the school office.

Miss Bower

Our school value we are focusing on this term is forgiveness.



PE

This term, Year 5 will have PE every Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning. Please ensure that children come in wearing the correct uniform for PE.

This includes a plain blue t-shirt, a plain blue sweatshirt (this can be the school jumper) black, dark grey or dark blue shorts or joggers, and trainers. This uniform **must not be branded**.

No earrings should be worn on PE days.

Homework

Every Friday, homework will be set to go home and must be completed by the following Thursday.

Children are expected to read at home four times a week, for 20 minutes each time, by Friday and this must be signed off by an adult in their homework diaries. This is checked regularly.

It is always best if an adult reads with them, as this really helps with their comprehension and understanding.

Children should also complete their daily spelling practice, which is checked regularly by myself and Mrs Chapman.

Maths

This half-term the children will learn about decimals and percentages. We will also be looking at perimeter and area, as well as statistics.

Writing Skills

This half-term we will learn how to write a balanced argument. We will also be writing a narrative based on *One Small Step* by Taiko Studios. We will also be writing a persuasive letter.

Reading Skills

This term we will begin reading *Cloudbusting*, by Malorie Blackman. We will be engaging with and reflecting on the text.

History

This term we will learn about the Transatlantic Slave Trade. This important unit will give children an understanding of the impact of slavery, the treatment of African slaves, as well as how and why slavery was abolished.

Geography

This term we will begin learning about the physical and human geography of Australia.

Science

This term we are looking at forces. We will be learning about push and pull, gravity, air resistance, water resistance and how the shape of an object changes how forces act around them.

RE

This term, we are learning about Christianity, and what Christians believe about incarnation, and Jesus as the messiah.

Art and Design Technology

In art this term, we will be looking at African art, looking at Chinese painting and ceramics.

Computing

In computing this term, the children will be learning about how to programme a micro:bit.

PE

Year 5 will continue their lessons with the sports coach, Miss Kier, this term will be on cricket. The children will also be doing tennis as their other PE learning.

French

In Modern Foreign Languages, we will be learning how to describe habitats in French.

PSHE

Year 5 will participate in regular PSHE sessions which encourage positive learning behaviours as well as looking after their social, emotional and physical well-being.