



# Year 5 Autumn 2 Newsletter

We all hope that you had a restful October half-term break. The children had a really successful first half-term and have settled in to their new classes and the new routines in place. We will continue with the same procedures this half-term and thank you for your support during these unprecedented times. It has been lovely to meet many of you via the remote Parents Evenings. Please contact your class teacher if you have yet to arrange a meeting.

Please find below some general reminders:

## P.E and Games

On both PE and Games days, children should come to school in their PE/Games kits and will remain in them for the whole day due to the current situation. We will continue to run a 2-week timetable with PE where during week 1 Year 5 will have 2 PE lessons and a games lesson. During week 2, they will just have 1 games lesson. Week commencing 9th November is week 1 so they will have PE and Games.

Goldfinches - Monday and Friday

Firecrests - Tuesday and Friday

Year group Games afternoon - Wednesday

Bitterns - Monday and Thursday

Swifts - Monday and Tuesday

## Home Learning

We will continue to issue homework using Google Classroom to reduce the amount of paper being sent home. We have been guiding the children with how to access this during Computing lessons and it would be beneficial if you could encourage your child to access this independently to develop their computing skills and help them remember their password. We will continue using Sumdog and TTRockstars to set homework which is monitored remotely by the class teacher. There is an inter-class competition on TTRS this half term and you should encourage your child to use this daily if possible to improve their recall of time tables.

**Spellings** given Monday and tested on Friday.

**Maths** given Friday due in on Tuesday.

**Literacy** given Monday due on Friday.

**Reading** at least 3 times a week. Reading log to be completed online weekly check on Google Classroom.

## Home/School Communication

Due to current COVID arrangements, please email or phone the office in the first instance if you need to contact the class teacher. Most of you have now joined the Class Dojo online communication system - if you have not yet done so, please ask the class teacher for log in details.

The Year 5 Team

# Year 5 Curriculum - Autumn 2nd Half Term

|                   | <i>The children will be learning...</i>   |
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| <i>Topic</i>      | <i>Anglo Saxons and Vikings - The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England to the time of Edward the Confessor.</i> |
| <i>Literacy</i>   | <i>Beowulf - Writing play scripts, letters, formal writing and poetry - Kennings.</i>   |
| <i>Numeracy</i>   | <i>Multiplication, division, statistics and fractions.</i>  |
| <i>Science</i>    | <i>Forces - Working scientifically conducting experiments around gravity, friction and air and water resistance.</i>                  |
| <i>Computing</i>  | <i>Online-Safety and coding (Espresso).</i>   |
| <i>R.E.</i>       | <i>How do Hindus make sense of the world.</i>   |
| <i>P.E.</i>       | <i>P.E. - Dance.<br/>Games - Invasion Games.</i>  |
| <i>Music</i>      | <i>Evaluating and appreciating music and singing performance skills.<br/>Viking music and Christmas songs.</i>                        |
| <i>Art and DT</i> | <i>Still life and paint effects.</i>  |
| <i>French</i>     | <i>My family, the alphabet and simple conversation.</i>   |
| <i>PATHs</i>      | <i>Understanding feelings, problem solving and decision making.</i>   |

## Autumn Term Key Dates

- *Flu Vaccinations - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November*
- *Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December*
- *End of term - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December*