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YEAR 5 NEWSLETTER



Autumn Term 1

In English this half term:

Week 1: The children will be looking at the structure of a letter and writing a letter to their future self- using their knowledge of co-ordinating and subordinating conjunctions as well as fronted adverbials.

Week 2 & 3: The children will be learning about non-chronological reports. They will be learning about purpose, audience, structure and language of this text type, culminating in researching Ancient Egyptian Gods and Goddesses to write a report on the God(s) of their choice.

Week 4, 5, 6 and 7: The children will be using the text, 'Clockwork' as a platform to learn about different types of language used in fiction, analysing characters and events within the text, and writing character descriptions. They will be exploring sentence structure and learning techniques to increase the complexity of their writing.

Suggested activities to help your child in English this half term:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/spelling_grammar/sentences/play/

www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?b=english/language_structure

In Maths this half term:

Week 1: The children will be learning about factors and multiples, square numbers and cubed numbers.

Week 2: The children will be learning about place value and the value of individual digits.

Week 3: Ordering numbers and being able to place on a number line, extending to decimals. They will then move onto multiplying by 10,100 and 1000.

Week 4: Children will be learning to work with positive and negative numbers, mental strategies to add and subtract whole numbers and decimals.

Week 5 and 6: Children will be learning to use written methods for addition, extending to word problems.

Week 7: Children will be learning written methods for subtraction, extending to word problems.

Week 8: Children will be learning short multiplication extending to decimals.

Suggested activities to help your child in maths this half term:

www.topmarks.co.uk/place-value/place-value-charts

www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

Other curriculum areas this half term:

In Science this half term the children will be investigating different types of Forces including balanced and unbalanced forces.

In History this half term, Year 5 children will be learning about life in Ancient Egypt. They will be exploring artefacts, understanding that sources can contradict each other and understanding the legacy of the Egyptians.

In Art this half term, the children will be exploring different types of printing techniques linked to Ancient Egypt.

In PSHE, the children learn about new beginnings and healthy relationships discussing feelings and emotions.

In Music, the children will be learning about musical notation and will be developing a chant based on what they have learnt about the Ancient Egyptians.

In Computing this half term, the children will be learning about constructing spreadsheets and creating formulae within the programme.

P.E this half term is Dance, where they will explore simple movements and choreograph a dance to Egyptian music. They will also be playing Football with Coach Parry.

In R.E this half term, the children will be asking the question, "Who did Jesus say I was?" They will be investigating statements that Jesus used about himself and exploring what they mean for Christians.

Useful websites for this half term's curriculum learning:

<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/Egypt.html>

<http://www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/interactives/history/egypt/>

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/history/ancient-egypt/>

General Messages:

Lots of reading please!

Please encourage your child to read for half an hour every night at home. Ask them about their understanding of vocabulary and phrases used in the text.

Timestables:

Please test your child on their timestables. All children should know their timestables to 12x12 by the end of Year 5. This should then be extended to decimals timestables.

P.E

If your child is unable to do P.E, please let us know by writing a short letter. Kits should always be in school for the P.E sessions. Our P.E lessons this term are Tuesday and Thursday.

Homework

Homework is set on a Monday to be handed in on Friday (or before). English and Maths should each have 30 mins spent on them in line with government recommendations.

Homework Club

Homework club is no longer being run on a Thursday lunchtime. If your child is struggling with their homework please direct them to their class teacher, who will be happy to help.

Important Dates

17th October - Parent's evening (3:30 - 6pm)

18th October - Parent's evening (5 - 7pm)