

Newsletter – year 5, term 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope this newsletter finds you well.

Curriculum

This term our topic is “Off with her head” which is all about the Tudors. In history, children will be learning about Henry VIII, Tudor clothing and housing. We will be making comparisons between life for the rich and poor in Tudor times. In geography, we will be looking at Tudor explorers and using maps to track their journeys. Children will be comparing Tudor life with life today.



Science

In science this term we will be learning about properties of materials, states of matter and reversible and irreversible changes. Children will be undertaking experiments to find the best insulators and comparing natural and man-made materials.

Literacy

In literacy our class book is “At the house of the magician” by Mary Hooper. Children will be conducting character studies, writing letters and looking at techniques used by the author to create suspense. Each day we will have a lesson focusing on reading and a lesson on writing and composition so children can practise all their literacy skills.



We really want children to develop a love of reading and you can support this by encouraging them to read everyday at home.

Maths

We will be using Mathematics Mastery from September. Our maths is focused around number for the first 4 weeks of term. We will be looking at place value and reasoning with large numbers, methods for addition and subtraction and rounding.

Children will then begin to interpret data from graphs and timetables.

Please continue to practise multiplication tables with your child as this will support them with all areas of maths and will be invaluable as the year progresses.

Homework

We will be sending homework books home with topic homework for term 1 in. Children will be expected to complete one piece of topic homework each week. Where possible, please take a photograph of your child’s work and upload on to google classroom. Homework books should remain at home where possible. Children will be given log ins for times table rockstars and spelling shed which can be accessed from home.

P.E.

Year 5 will have PE on a Wednesday afternoon. Please send children to school in their PE kit on this day.

Marvellous Me

As a school we will shortly be using a programme called Marvellous Me to communicate with parents and carers. Watch this space for further details which we will send out as soon as the programme is up and running!

Thank you for your on-going support.

Mrs Roberts, Mrs White, Mrs Johnson and the Year 5 team.