

Year 5 Spring Term

WELCOME BACK, YEAR 5!

We hope that you had a great Christmas and New Year!

5KHo – Mr Hoddell (Teacher), Mr Schembri (LSA), Mr O’Callaghan (Student Teacher)

5KHa – Miss Harris (Teacher), Mrs Carr (LSA)

Maths

In Maths this term we will be looking at:

- **Reading tables and graphs**
- **Fractions (improper fractions and mixed numbers; equivalent fractions; comparing and ordering fractions; adding and subtracting fractions; multiplying fractions by whole numbers; multiplying mixed numbers).**

Homework

Our homework will be set weekly. This will consist of a times table activity and learning spellings appropriate for our year group. Children are expected to look up word meanings in a dictionary when required, and write sentences highlighting their understanding of the words.

Homework will be set on a Tuesday, and must be handed in by the following Monday.

Our topic for this term is *The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China*

English

Reading

Children will read individually and in our group guided reading sessions. These sessions focus on *The Firework Maker’s Daughter* by Phillip Pullman. Thank you for ensuring that your child has a copy of the book.

Although we will hear your child read regularly, it is also important that they read at home – either with you or independently.

Writing

Over the course of the term we will be focusing on various styles of writing, including narratives, descriptive pieces, diary writing, letter writing, biographical writing, comprehension, writing predictions and writing recounts.

SPAG

We will have stand-alone SPAG lessons once per week in order to cover the grammatical aspects of the Year 5 English curriculum. Children will be expected to incorporate what they have learned into their every day writing.

Outdoor Games is on a Thursday afternoon and indoor P.E. is on a Monday afternoon. **Please ensure your children’s PE kit is in school every day.** (Ideally in a drawstring bag – not a huge rucksack!)

Routines

The children are expected to walk through the school respectfully and silently.

By now the children are aware of where they need to be for each lesson, as well as the equipment they require.

Science – Living Things, Life Cycles and Incredible Journeys.

History – The Shang Dynasty of Ancient China.

D.T. – Designing and creating Chinese symbols; Lantern making.

P.S.H.E – Mindfulness

Art – Sketching and drawing, focusing on shape.

ICT – E-Safety; touch-typing.

P.E. and Games – Parkour; Hockey and Netball.

MFL – Geography of Germany; counting to 100; introductions and ‘all about me’.

Many thanks for your support,

Mr K. Hoddell and Miss K. Harris

Year 5 Teachers