

WELCOME BACK

Year 5's Newsletter – Autumn 1

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Welcome back!

We hope you all had a fantastic summer and we welcome you back to this new academic year! We hope you are refreshed after the break and ready for a fun and exciting year of learning.

Creative Curriculum

Our new topic for this half term is Extreme Earth. Within this topic, we will be focusing on geography skills. This will include: looking at natural disasters, the reasons they happen, the cause of the disaster and the impact they have on the environment. By the end of the half term, the children will write an information text about natural disasters, and they will build a replica of a volcano and use cross curricular skills to make it explode!

Science

Our topic in Science is properties and changes of materials. We will provide children with opportunities to understand the changes a material goes through such as chemical reactions, how these reactions are used in daily scenarios and experiment how to separate fluids and solids.

Computing

As part of our computing topic, we will focus on developing the children's web design skills to create a website based on their research of natural disasters. The children will learn many key aspects to creating a website such as: altering the design, inserting digital media and menu bars and links to refer you to other pages. They will also be using these websites to inform the public about the natural disasters they have researched.

Mathematics

We will continue to do work in Calculation, Space and Shape, Data Handling and Problem Solving in mathematics. This term we will cover various aspects. For example, addition and subtraction of numbers with 5 or more digits, equivalent fractions as well as key vocabulary that will include multiples, factors and prime numbers.

English

This term we will be focusing on writing a narrative story. To allow the children to become effective authors in this genre, we will be studying the text 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick. This will provide a high level example of what is expected within this topic. By the end of the unit, the children will have written their own narrative story based on a child being reunited with their family after a natural disaster.

Uniform

Thank you to everyone that has made sure their child has started the school year looking very smart and is following our uniform expectations. Please make sure your child wears their uniform every day, and all of the uniform has their name clearly on one of the labels. This is to ensure we can locate any lost items.

Upcoming Events

5EB PE: Tuesday and Thursday
5RB Swimming: Tuesday
PE: Wednesday

Meet the teacher – Wednesday 13th
September 3.45pm

Natural History Museum –

Wednesday 4th October 2017

End of first half term: 20.10.2017

Children back to school: 30.10.2017

Parents' evenings: 15.11.2017

16.11.2017

5EB Class Assembly: 03.11.2017

Half Term Task



In our creative topic, we have a focus on Geography. To consolidate the children's learning, we would like them to create a pop-up book all about natural disasters. The pop-ups could be images such as waves from a tsunami or a volcano erupting – the more creative, the better! These will then be celebrated and displayed around the classroom/school for children to see and enjoy. We look forward to seeing some creative ideas!

Due Friday 3rd November



Homework

Please support your child at home with learning their times tables and doing the English and maths activities that we set for homework.