# YEAR 5 AUTUMN 1 **CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2022**

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Welcome back!

We hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are as excited to get back into the school routine as we all are. Year 5 seem to have had a lovely summer and are ready to get stuck into life in Year 5. We have really enjoyed getting to know the children again over the last week and we are finding out lots of things which will help us learn together throughout the year.

Year 5 will be supported in their learning this year by Mrs Leng and Mrs Middleton. The children will also have Mrs Pounder delivering PE lessons on Wednesday mornings.

In English this half term, we will be studying Michael Morpurgo as an author, looking at his life, career, achievements and a variety of his books. We will read Kaspar Prince of Cats and use this to write letters and descriptions. We will also link this with our Geography unit on the United Kingdom and write newspaper reports on the Titanic. Every Tuesday, we will participate in a drama lesson, led by Northern Arts, to enhance our English topic and inspire us with our writing ideas. We will have a specific grammar focus each week where we recap some of the Year 4 grammar objectives such as speech punctuation and paragraphs. We will then begin to look at Year 5 objectives such as coordinating/subordinating conjunctions and modal verbs. We will also continue to practise the Year 5/6 common exception words, the -ible/-able suffixes and homophones. Please encourage your child to practice their spellings regularly.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at place value, addition and subtraction and statistics. In place value, we will be developing our conceptual understanding through comparing, ordering and rounding numbers and using this knowledge to reason. We will also be revising our knowledge of Roman numerals. In statistics, we will be interpreting timetables and line graphs. There will be a problem solving and reasoning focus once a week, applying what we have learnt. We will also have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12. Please encourage your child to practice them regularly.

In science this half term, we will also be space explorers and learning more about the solar system and different space explorers. We will be asking in the next few weeks for the children to keep a moon diary, we'd really appreciate your support with this.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please refer to the knowledge organisers which will we sent out this week or visit our website.

Please don't hesitate to come and see us if you have any guestions or concerns. Many thanks,

Mrs Georghiou & Mrs Ellis





"Happy together in God's family, we love, arow and learn,

### **Important Days**

Reading books every day.

Monday:

Spelling Test

Wednesday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit) School library visit.

#### **Important Dates**

#### September

Wednesday 14th 9:15-10:15am open morning.

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> Photographs. Sunday 25th 10am Family Mass.

Friday 30th 9:15am Macmillan Coffee morning.

## **October**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> 4pm English meeting via zoom.

Friday 7th 2:30pm Harvest Assembly.

> Wednesday 12th Flu immunisations.

Tuesday 18th Thursday 20th 4:00-6:30pm Parents Evening.

Thursday 20th Y5 Class Assembly.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> School closes.