

YEAR 5 SPRING 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2024

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

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and thank you very much for the lovely gifts I received. I would like to say a big thank you for bringing the children to the Christmas Carol Concert in our final week, I'm sure you will agree, they led the concert amazingly and it was a perfect ending to the year. I was extremely proud of all their talents that shone through.

In our English lessons this half term, we will be reading a beautiful picture book called *The Promise*. We will be exploring the use of figurative language in the text before writing our own narratives based on this book. Each lesson will begin with a short grammar starter, where we will continue consolidating our use of different punctuation marks as well as learning about parenthesis and cohesive devices used to link paragraphs. Towards the end of the half-term, we will be writing some explanations based on our geography work about volcanoes and earthquakes.

In maths this half term, we will be continuing with our fraction work and learning about multiplication and division. In multiplication and division, we will consolidate multiplying up to four digits by one digit before moving on to multiplying two digits by two digits and four digits by two digits. In fractions, we will be looking at multiplying fractions by an integer and finding fractions of a given amount. On a Monday, we will continue with our short session each week working on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12. Please encourage your child to practise on Times Table Rockstars improve confidence and quick recall as these are crucial in all areas of Year 5 maths.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please refer to the knowledge organisers which can be found on our website.

In our final week of this half-term, all Year 5 pupils will take part in Bikeability where the children will learn how to ride a bike safely and focus on essential road safety skills.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.
Many thanks,
Mrs Ellis

Important Days

Reading books every day.

Monday:

Spelling Test

Friday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Important Dates

January

Wednesday 31st 9:00am
Open Classroom.

February

Monday 5th 4pm residential
meeting* - via Zoom
(link to follow)

Monday 5th -9th – Year 5
Bikeability cycle training.

Friday 9th Finish for half
term.



