YEAR 5 SPRING 2 **CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2021**

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the February half term holiday. I hope that you had a good rest, I'm sure you certainly needed it (I know I did!) We will be starting this half term by continuing to work remotely via Microsoft Teams. However, I hope that we will be able to welcome the children back into the classroom on 8 March. I am looking forward to the upcoming half term, with new books, new learning and some hands-on learning within the classroom. Until we do all return to the classroom, I will endeavour to support all pupils in their learning as much as possible.

Last half term, we loved delving into two inspiring short stories. Initially this half term, we will be finishing the work planned for 'Cloud Tea Monkeys', creating our own slow-write setting description. Following this, we will be completing some pieces of cross-curricular writing including a balanced argument in RE and instructional writing in DT. Once back in the classroom, we will be studying my absolute favourite poem – The Highwayman. This poem is a ballad (narrative) which tells a story of romance, robbery and tragedy. I know the class will love it! The poem will inspire several pieces of writing, including a newspaper report on the tragedy. After that, we will then be moving onto another poem called 'The Visitor'. For this, I hope to complete lots of drama work to interpret and understand the poem fully. Within our grammar starters and sessions, we will improve our knowledge and use of apostrophes as well as consolidating how we use colons.

In maths this half term, we will continue to learn about fractions and how to use them. We will continue to compare and order fractions less than and more than 1 and will then move on to adding, subtracting and multiplying fractions. Finally we will learn to find fractions of amounts. Before the end of the half term, we will begin to understand decimal numbers - ordering, comparing, rounding and converting to fractions and percentages. Throughout the rest of our time remote learning, we will have a short session on a Friday to work on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12.

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

Finally, a HUGE thank you for all your support as the children continue with remote learning. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks, Miss Wood





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

Important Days

Monday:

Reading books changed

Thursday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Friday:

Spelling Test

Important Dates

23.2.21 - 30.3.21 Lent Mass @ 2:30pm on Tuesdays

1.3.21 - 'Share a story' entries emailed to the office

4.3.21 - World Book Day - Northern Arts workshops via Zoom 1:10pm - Whole School Assembly @ 11:30am

10.3.21 – Author/illustrator event for Years 4-6 via Zoom @ 10:30am

12.3.21 – Whole school Mother's Day assembly @ 9:30am

16.3.21 – Virtual Tudor workshop via Zoom @ 9:15am

18.3.21 – Year 1 class assembly @ 9:30am

19.3.21 – Comic Relief nonuniform £1

WC 22.3.21 – Bikeability for Year 5 (more info to come)

1.4.21 – Whole School Mass led by Year 6 @ 9:30am

1.4.21 – Close for Easter holidays