

## Half Term Curriculum Plan/Home Learning Letter

Year 5 Half Term: Spring 1 - January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you had a good Christmas and are looking forward to a productive New Year.

In Maths we will be looking to:

Understand place value in 6-digit numbers by creating 6-digit numbers, placing them on a number line and solving place value additions and subtractions, order and compare 6-digit numbers and say a number between, understand the effect of multiplying or dividing a given number by 10, 100 or 1000; answers < 100000 and with not more than 2 decimal places; Multiply and divide numbers by 10 and 100 to give 1- or 2-place decimal answers, use place value to add and subtract 0.1 and 0.01 to and from decimal numbers, round 1- and 2-place decimals up and down to the nearest whole number, round 2-place decimals up or down to the nearest tenth; use mental strategies to add 2-digit, 3-digit and 4-digit numbers, add any pair of 1-place decimals, work out what number to add to a 2-place decimal to make the next whole number, understand addition and subtraction as inverses of each other and use this to find relationships, use counting up to subtract 4-digit numbers from near multiples of 1000, subtract 4-digit from 4digit multiples of 1000 by counting up; apply divisibility tests for 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 25, identify factors and multiples, and begin to find common factors, use mental strategies to solve multiplications including multiplying by 0 and 1, dividing by 1, multiplying together three numbers, use mental strategies to solve divisions including dividing by 1, use efficient mental division strategies to divide large numbers; identify all the prime numbers less than 100 using Eratosthenes sieve, identify square numbers up to 100, understand concept of a square root, relate square roots to square numbers; devise a rule to work out missing angles, recognise that an equilateral triangle is a regular polygon with angles of 60°, compare and classify triangles, according to their properties; read relevant scales to the nearest numbered unit, measure, compare, add and subtract weights (masses) using kg/g, convert between different units of measure, e.g. kilometres to metres, metres to centimetres, etc., recognise and estimate volume and capacity using ccs and ml, interpret and present continuous data using line graphs.

In addition, we will continue with weekly arithmetic and tables tests. Please continue to support your children with their tables.

**English**: Our chosen core text is 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom' by Louis Sachar. Using the text we will practise comprehension, hot-seating, build character profiles and biographies, diary writing, writing a prequel, letter writing and engaging in debate. Alongside our English lessons will be spelling, punctuation and grammar.

**Topic** – This term will have two topics running alongside each other. Our **Science** topic is entitled 'Circle of Life' where we will be looking at the life cycles of mammals, amphibians, insects and birds and understanding what makes a successful life cycle. Our Geography topic is entitled 'Where does all our stuff come from?' which looks at the origin and impact of what we use and consume and how it affects the environment.

In **RE** we will be looking at how people express their ideas about God. We will explore religious thoughts and beliefs through art, music, dance and drama.

**Computing**: the class will explore coding where they will use sequence, selection and repetition in programmes and use algorithms to create and correct a sequence.

**PE** this half term will include swimming – please ensure your child has a swimming hat, one piece costume (girls) and trunks, not board shorts (boys). Goggles may be worn if wished. Our other PE unit will be Tag Rugby, which again is an invasion game. Children will continue to develop passing skills, positioning and decision making when switching from attack to defence. It is vital that children have their PE kit in school at all times. With the colder weather, children are permitted to wear dark, plain tracksuit bottoms.

**PSHE**: The focus is 'My Emotions' which explores all the different emotions we feel and how to help others and ourselves manage these positively.

Music: The class will be investigating 'Classroom Jazz' where children will learn to play instruments to accompany Jazz songs and engage in improvisation.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and see me either before or after school.

Home learning for this term is as follows:

Reading: 30 minutes + discussion per day at home – independent reading and reading out loud

Spellings: Set Monday tested Friday

Home Learning Task: Set Monday in Wednesday: Set Wednesday in Friday

Class teacher: Date: 2 January 2018



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PLEASE ENSURE YOU CHECK AND INITIAL YOUR CHILD'S WORK

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