



Year 5 newsletter Autumn 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

We look forward to working with the children this half term. Now that they are half way through the school year they are beginning to consolidate learning in key areas and their work is showing progress.

Getting ready for Year 6 can be a challenging time for children but these children are showing that dedication and hard work is the key. However for them to make the expected progress, we need your help in ensuring that they achieve their very best. Some children do Lexia, a reading programme and we ask that you encourage them at home to do this as it is very beneficial to their progress in reading. The children also have the opportunity to work on Mathematics. If they have no access to the internet at home we let them have some time at school to do the work that is set for them.

As part of their weekly home work we ask that you listen to your child read. After they have read please sign their reading diaries. Occasionally we will let you know how your child is doing through text messages but if you have any concerns about their learning, please let us know. We welcome your input.

Home work

Children will receive three pieces of home work each week— Maths, Spelling and Grammar. They will also be given a specific times table to focus on.

Physical Education

This half term Year 5 children will be doing PE every Wednesday. They must bring in clothes to change and wear trainers or plim soles. Children wearing earrings have to remove them before the lesson.

Our learning

In English, we will be reading, "Where the Forest Meets the Sea." In Maths we will be focusing on Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division. In Topic the focus will be, Why is the Rainforest important? For Science we will focus on materials and their properties so there will be lots of experiments - separating different materials and looking at reversible and irreversible changes.

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Big Ben animal workshop



White Cliffs of Dover creative performance



Gainsborough's Stars!

This term some children from year 1-6 will be celebrating being a "Gainsborough Star". To qualify to be a Gainsborough Star, children need to be in school every day and on time, complete all their homework and must not have worked their way down the Consequence chart to time out. If they meet the criteria, then they will have a special treat during their lunchtime this term. Please encourage your child to work hard at this so that they can work towards being a Gainsborough Star!

Some key dates

Parents' Evening on the 9th of November

Anti-bullying week begins on the 13th of November.

The whole school Pantomime is on the 30th of November 2017.

It will be non-uniform day on the 16th of November.

Thank you for all your support

Mrs Worgess (Year Group Lead)