



Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas and New Year and are ready for a busy and exciting Spring Term!

This half term, the children will be exploring Space in a unit called 'Earth & Beyond'. This is a change to the Yearly Curriculum Map, due to the Harry Potter experience only being available in March. The children will explore our solar system and learn all about our planets, as well as space exploration and influential people.

Our novel for this half-term is "War of the Worlds" by H.G.Wells. The children will produce a range of writing inspired by this book, which links really well to our topic of "Earth & Beyond".

In Maths, we will be continuing our journey through White Rose and will be focusing on Number. Specifically, this will include Multiplication and Division, Fractions, Decimals and Percentages.

Our Science topic this half term is: 'Space, the Final Frontier', where the children will learn all about the Earth, Sun & Moon, and how Ancient Greek Astronomers knew that the Earth was round. We will explore the comparative sizes of the Earth, Sun and Moon and find out about day and night and what causes seasons and lunar eclipses.

You can find out more about what we will be learning this year from our Curriculum Maps. The half term map details our learning through to the end of the half term on Friday 15th February.

Class Dojo will continue to run so you can keep up-to-date with everything that's happening in the classrooms! If you need to sign up, just let us know. Please feel free to speak to your class teacher or contact us via the office if you have any questions!

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 18th January: 5R Class Assembly
Friday 25th January: 5T Class Assembly
Friday 8th February: 5G Class Assembly
w/c Monday 11th February: Parent Drop-Ins 8:30-9am
Friday 22nd March: 5P-B Class Assembly

LATER ON IN THE TERM...

Next half term, we will attend the Warner Bros. Studio Tour London for our Harry Potter Experience! This will be completed across four separate days (one per class) on Tuesday 12th March – Friday 15th March.

You should have had a letter and already given consent for your child to attend this trip. The total cost for the trip is £33 and the deadline for payment is Friday 8th March. Further details of the specific date the children will attend will be shared next half term. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

PE DAYS

5T: Tuesday and Thursday (swimming)

5G: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

5P-B: Wednesday and Thursday

5R: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

In addition to school-led PE lessons and Swimming, Year 5 will take part in Gymnastics, which will be run by Premier Sports, both at school and at Recreation Road Sports Centre.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school each week. PE kits include a white T-shirt, black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, and trainers. Some lessons will be outside so children will need the appropriate clothing and footwear for this. Please ensure long hair is tied up or that your child has a hairband with them. For safety reasons, earrings must either be removed or taped up please!

CAN YOU ALSO ENSURE THAT CHILDREN COME TO SCHOOL WITH A COAT PLEASE.