

Year 5 Newsletter

January - February 2020

Forest School

Year 5 will be having forest school sessions each Thursday (starting January 16th) which will last for this half term only. Further information and documentation will be sent home soon.

Reading

It is expected that your child reads at least 5 times a week. Please encourage your child to read regularly at home and to get into the practice of recording this in their reading diary. This is checked each Friday in school to ensure that children are reading at home. I cannot express the how important regular reading is for children! I would also encourage you to still listen to your child read regularly too.

Core Readers

It has been fantastic to see how many children are engaging with the Core Readers scheme! I've seen a massive difference in reading attitudes and the children are loving discussing the stories together and recommending books to their friends.

PE

PE will usually be on Friday this half term but you need your PE kit in school all the time in case this changes (sometimes we have to swap). Please ensure you have correct kit.

Indoor kit; blue shorts, white round neck t-shirt clearly labelled.

Outdoor kit; trainers. Tracksuit bottom (navy blue or black) and school hoody, tracksuit top are optional in winter but try and keep it plain and in school blue. A spare pair of socks is useful too.

English

This half term the children will firstly be writing a warning story for the first part of the half term, using a model text called, 'The Caravan' and will be completing activities based on this text. Then they will be writing a discussion based text later on in the half term.

Science

We will be completing our Earth and Space topic at the start of the half term. Then we will move on to our next topic which will be Forces in Action.

Maths

This half term we will be covering work on: geometry, money and decimals and place value. We will also be practising mental maths regularly and will have a mental maths test each week.

Other Topics

Computing ~ Coding, **Music** ~ A New Year Carol, **RE** ~ Are Sikh stories important today?, **French** ~ Qu'est-ce que tu veux?

PSHE ~ Dreams and Wishes,

Art ~ Printmaking, **History** ~ Battle of Britain

Mathletics

Please ensure that your child goes on Mathletics, as this is an important part of their homework. I check it each week to check who has completed it.