

Spring Term
Issue 3



Year 5 News



Happy New Year and Welcome Back

Maths

This half term topics

Cover being able to; Read, write and order numbers with up to 6 digits and understand the place value of each digit; understand place value in decimal numbers to 2-decimal places; Rehearse mental addition strategies for decimals and whole numbers use mental strategies to solve multi-step word problems; Use rules of divisibility to find if numbers are divisible by 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10; identify prime numbers; revise finding factors of numbers; find squares and square roots of square numbers; finding patterns and making and testing rules; use mental multiplication and division strategies; relate mental division strategies to multiples of ten of the divisor Know properties of equilateral, isosceles, scalene and right-angled triangles convert from grams to kilograms and vice versa, from millilitres to litres and vice versa, and from metres to kilometres and vice versa;



Science

Let's Get Moving is our topic for this term. In it we will be learning about forces and machines. We will begin by looking at gravity, then study friction forces, including air and water resistance, before investigating how simple machines work.

Art

This half term we are designing and making applique tote bags inspired by Fair Trade. Any old brightly coloured/patterned clothes, ribbons, buttons, beads, sequins that you or other relatives don't need any longer would be useful.

Board Games

We are looking to start a Games Club where children can enjoy playing board games, improving social skills and taking enjoying themselves. If you have any board games lurking in cupboards that you no longer need, we would be happy to give them a home and a new life in school. Thank you

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Activity
11 th Jan	Role Model Picture in
15 th Jan	KS 2 Sports Hall Athletics
18 th Jan	Material/buttons/ribbon etc for tote bags in (Art)
18 th Jan	Plastic Bottle (science) due in

Literacy

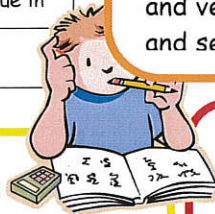
This half term we are looking at the text Street Child before moving onto a text called Oranges In No Man's Land about another child's struggle in war torn Beirut. This half term we will be concentrating on pronouns, subordinating conjunctions and verb tense in grammar and our punctuation focus is colons and semi-colons.



Homework

Far too many children are not completing Mathletics homework. Please encourage your child to complete the set activities at a minimum. If not they will be expected to stay in on Friday lunch times to complete their homework activity then.

Reading children should be reading a minimum of 5 x 15mins sessions at home a week and at least 2 of these being fiction. Please ensure they fill in Reading on homework sheet and are completing passport activities too! Remember what the Oompa Loompas taught us about reading with their rhyme!



Geography

This half term we will be investigating food miles and fair trade in preparation for Fairtrade Week next month. Look in the cupboards at home and next time your shopping at where your food comes from and if any are Fairtrade products.



Other Topics

PE ~ Judo & Tri golf RE ~ Islam
Computing ~ We are Artists Music ~ Roundabout
PSHE ~ Getting on and Falling out