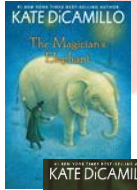


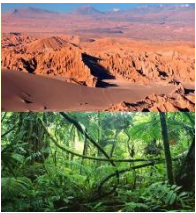
## Year 5 newsletter - Autumn 2 2022

Welcome back to all the children in Year 5. We are very proud of the level of maturity shown by all our children during the first half of the Autumn term. Our 'Anglo Saxon' history topic was a success and enjoyed by all as was their topic in science 'Animals including humans' - the children were fascinated and their work really reflected this.

In English, we will continue to use our guided reading text, 'The Magician's Elephant', written by Kate DiCamillo, as a stimulus to write a variety of genres including, an informal letter and poetry. We are also looking at a link text also written by Kate DiCamillo called 'The Tiger Rising,' which we will use to create a play script.



In maths, the children will be looking at multiplication and division and will apply their knowledge to problems in context. We will then move onto fractions, looking in particular at finding fractions of quantities and finding equivalents. Towards the end of the half term, we will start to convert improper fractions to mixed numbers. In order to do this successfully, it is really important that the children keep practising their times tables. Please encourage your child to learn the times tables up to 12 x 12, if they do not already know them, as this will really help them with their maths work. TTRockstars is an excellent tool to assist with the learning of times tables so please encourage your child to take full advantage of this programme.



This half term, our geography topic will focus on 'Deserts and Rainforests.' During this unit we will look at deserts and rainforests around the world. The children will explore each of their features and locate them on a map.

As scientists, the children will be exploring, 'Living things and their habitats'. They will develop their knowledge of life cycles by creating various life cycles for different animals.



This term, for our indoor PE session, the children will continue to focus on gymnastics. They will be developing different movements to the beat of music focussing mainly on synchronisation and canon. Our new PE focus for our outdoor games session is tag rugby. We will be learning how to pass, attack and defend, with the aim of playing a match. Class 12 will have both their PE slots on a Friday and Class 11 will have rugby outdoors on a Wednesday and gymnastics Friday indoors. Please ensure that your child comes to school with the appropriate kit on these days.

Homework will be sent out on a Thursday and will be expected to be returned the following Tuesday, so a teacher can check and sign it. Finally, children are also expected to read 4 times a week and this needs recording in their reading record.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Rouse and Miss Barlow.