

Year 5 Newsletter

"You're amazing, just the way you are."

Spring Term 1

Welcome back to all the children in Year 5. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and a fantastic New Year! We are very proud of the progress and achievements of all the children during the Autumn Term. We hope that the children will continue to work as hard in the Spring Term as they did in the previous term.

<u>English</u>

In English, our stimulus for both reading is 'Dead Man's Cove' by Lauren St. John and our stimulus for writing will be 'Leon and the Place Between' by Angela McAllister.

This is an exciting adventure story that will be a stimulus for writing a variety of genres including: an inner monologue, travel brochure, and build up to a story.

For reading, we will be looking carefully at the author's use of language and will use inference to delve deeper into the characters and the plot of the story.

<u>PE</u>

Class 14 and 15 will have PE on a Monday and on a Friday with Tigers Trust, while Class 13 will have their PE sessions on a Tuesday and Friday (with Tigers Trust).

History

This half term in history, we will be going back to the year 1939! We will be learning all about World War 2. During this topic, we will find out all about food rationing, evacuation and how the war impacted civilian life and the future of our country.

<u>Maths</u>

In maths, the children will continue to work with fractions; focusing on finding their equivalents, adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators as well as finding a fraction of a number.

We will also move onto the formal methods of multiplication and division.

<u>Science</u>

As scientists, the children will be exploring, 'Properties and Changes of Materials'. This is a really 'hands on' topic where your children will be given the opportunity to conduct a number of experiments and investigations. It will develop their knowledge of the properties of a variety of materials and will focus on how some materials can change. The children will be expected to develop their own investigative skills and will record the results of their experiments in a number of different ways.

Homework and Reading

Another reminder that homework will be sent out on a Friday and will be expected to be returned the following Wednesday, 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.

The Year 5 Team.