



## Spring 2 Newsletter Year 5

**A huge warm welcome back to our new half term to all of our lovely parents and children!**

We are thrilled to be welcoming the children back to school and are excited for another half term full of learning!

Please take note of the below reminders which may answer any queries you have about your child's learning and ways you can support your child.

- PE will take place each week. Your child must have their PE kit in school which will remain in school. Children should arrive at school in their usual school uniforms on PE days as normal.
- Children should not bring their own pencil cases or stationary into school as all equipment is provided for the children.
- If your child requires to bring their mobile phone into school, **a mobile phone agreement must be signed and returned to school** prior to this. Please see your child's class teacher should you require a copy of this.
- Homework is set each Friday and will either be a paper copy or online learning through our Reading Eggs and Mathletics platforms. Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions about this.

Please feel free to get in touch with your child's class teacher via email if you have any queries or concerns or, alternatively, you are welcome to telephone the school office.



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One again, a huge warm welcome back and we look forward to speaking to you all soon!  
The Year 5 Team ☺

## Reading

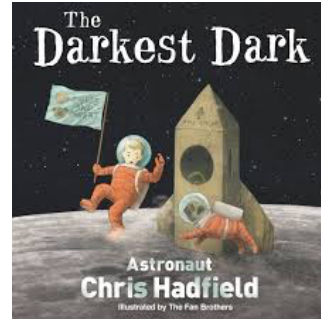
Your child will take part in daily Guided Reading sessions, including at least 1 bespoke teacher led session each week. Please support us by sending your child's reading record into school each day and encouraging your child to read each night. It is our expectation that the children read **5 times per week** and that their reading record is signed by a parent or guardian. As well as the book your child brings home, they are welcome to read a variety of texts, including newspapers, leaflets or fiction books!

## Writing

In writing, we will be reading the text, 'The Darkest Dark' by Chris Hadfield, a story based on the true life of Canadian astronaut, Chris Hadfield. The text offers a huge range of writing opportunities, from setting descriptions to diary entries and builds up to a formal biography.

## Maths

In maths, we will be moving onto decimals and percentages, whilst continuing to consolidate all this year's learning through regular fluency sessions. Please can we ask that you support us in encouraging your child to **practice their times tables on a regular basis**, using TT Rockstars, Mathletics or any other methods you choose. This is a crucial aspect of the mathematics curriculum and is fundamental to your child being able to access and succeed in all areas of mathematics.



## Science

We will continue our work on physics this half term building on our current knowledge of forces and extending this to Space! This includes us exploring the planets in our universe and the way in which they orbit the sun and travel within our solar system, as well as investigating why we have day and night.

## History

We will be diving into the world of Ancient Egypt in our history topic, learning all about what was different during that time period and making comparisons between this and other significant times periods that we have studied.

## MFL

In our MFL learning this half term, we will continue our French learning by exploring our colours, names for different items of clothing as well as being able to describe these in verbal and written form.