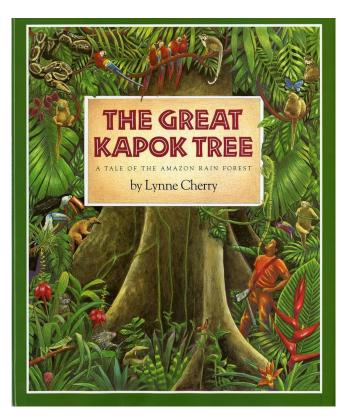
Year 5 Newsletter

Welcome back to the start of a new year! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable Christmas break. We are looking forward to the start of a new half term in Year 5 and would like to share some key information.

<u>English</u>

This half-term we will be using *The Great Kapok Tree* as the key text for our narrative work. We will focus on openers, relative clauses and parenthesis in our writing as well as re-capping on previously taught SPAG skills. For our non-fiction work, we will be focusing on instructions and writing survival guides. We will continue to practise our VIPERS skills in reading sessions. We really appreciate the support that you have given to your children at home with their reading, just 5 or 10 minutes each day can make a real difference and help to improve their confidence and fluency.



<u>Maths</u>

In Maths we will be focusing on Multiplication and Division as well as Area and Scaling. We will also continue with our daily arithmetic sessions focusing on mental methods of calculation.

There will be a big push on times tables this half term; it is so important that the children are fluent in them in so that they are able to access the other areas of the Maths curriculum. Every child has a login to TT Rockstars and we are really grateful for all of your support with this at home!



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<u>Geography</u>

In our Geography sessions this half term we will be focusing on the Amazon Rainforest. Within this topic, we will develop our map skills and examine data to help us understand the human and physical features of the rainforest. We will also conduct some fieldwork with a visit to Hyde Park to study the plants and animals there.





<u>Science</u>

In our Science lessons we will focus on 'Earth and Space'. Within this topic we will concentrate on the solar system, the moon, why we have day and night as well as time. We will also be working scientifically throughout this topic which will involve planning and conducting fair tests.

Homework

Homework will continue be given out on a Friday to be completed by the following Friday. Homework will consist of spellings, Maths or English and reading of their reading book. Maths/English will be set on Teams on the assignment tab, paper copies are also available.

<u>P.E</u>

We will continue to have P.E. with Mr Hewitt on a Thursday and Friday afternoon.

If you would like any further information, please continue to message through Class Dojo.

Thank you for all of your on-going support,

Miss Peacock and Mrs Okon