

# Year 5 & 6 Newsletter January 2022

## This term's topic: The History of British Democracy

The children will learn about the history of King John and the Magna Carta and how this important document is the building block of British democracy. We will also study another colourful monarch, King Charles I, and his relationship with parliament and the events which led to the English Civil War. The children will study how modern-day parliament is run and how it should represent the interests of the people it governs.

## Homework

### **Spellings:**

The children will be tested on their spellings each Monday.

### **Times tables:**

We will test the children on their tables at the end of the week as follows:

Week 2: x 9

Week 4: x 11

Week 6: x 7

### **Fractions, Decimals and Percentages:**

The children will build upon their fractions knowledge learnt so far this year and continue their work with decimals and percentages. Please ensure that your child is fluent with the equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. They also need to be fluent with the related multiplication and division facts of each of the times tables.

## PE

Please ensure that your child comes to school in the correct PE kit.

**Hawks and Falcons:** Monday & Thursday

**Eagles:** Thursday and Friday (warm PE kit Friday including hat and gloves).

## Year 5 & 6 Team

Miss Tilling - Hawks

Mrs Gurupatham - Eagles

Miss Steele - Falcons

Wishing you a happy and healthy New Year!



## Reading

Well done to the many children in Year 5 and 6 who are now reading 7 days a week at home! This is fantastic - keep it up.

Please aim to read at home at least 5 times a week.

Children will have a book that they choose at school to take home. Any reading done at home needs to be recorded in their reading record books.

The reading record book should be brought into school each day with the child's reading book. Each Friday the number of reads will be counted in the reading record book. This information is used for the 'Donut Stop Reading' school competition which has been set up to encourage reading across the school. There will also be a class winner each week who has shown that they read consistently at home.

## Class email:

[Hawks@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:Hawks@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)

[Falcons@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:Falcons@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)

[Eagles@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:Eagles@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)

## Diary dates:

Ice skating Eagles:

January: 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>

February: 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>