



# Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 9th November, 2023

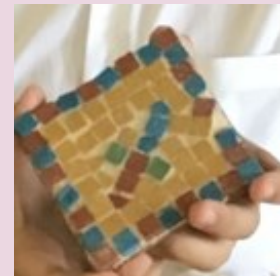
Years 5 and 6

## What have Years 5 and 6 been learning in Autumn 1?

Last half term, we looked at the spread of the Roman Empire and Boudicca's rebellion. We tracked how the Roman Empire invaded countries across the world, finally taking control of England. An interesting fact we discovered was that the Romans didn't manage to invade Scotland!



In art, we looked at the work of Gaudi before designing and making our own Roman mosaics in this style - using bright colours to create our designs and assembling them using tiling techniques.



The week before half term was Spanish week - we identified Spanish speaking countries on a world map, made a fact file about Argentina and enjoyed cooking empanadas!

## Autumn 2 - A Drop in the Ocean: Transmigration

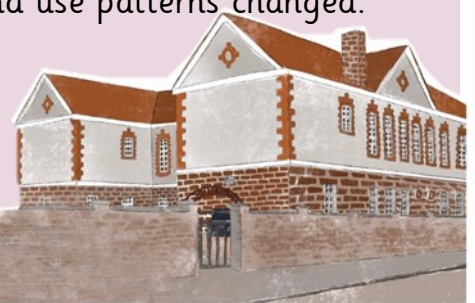
### What are we learning this half term?

In English, we will be reading 'The Journey' - a story of one family's migration. We will use this text as inspiration to write a diary entry and a non-chronological report.

We will also take part in a debate around the topic.

In geography, we will learn about the routes that were used by people who migrated in the past. We will track their journeys from their home country, through Hull and on to their destination country. The key knowledge we want the children to learn is how Hull developed over time and how land use patterns changed.

In design and technology, we will be creating a model vehicle using pulleys and a motor. We will be using our knowledge of electrical circuits to make the vehicle move.



### How you can help at home:

- Please listen to your child read their reading book at least three times a week.
- Practice times tables with your child.
- Please make sure your child is practising correct letter formation and joining their handwriting in their English homework book.
- Please make sure that your child is practising correct number formation in their maths homework book.
- Please label your child's uniform, coat and PE kit with their full name.
- The PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has a suitable PE kit (joggers, tracksuit bottoms and a warm jumper/hoodie/tracksuit top) as the weather is getting colder and PE will still be outside.
- Please help your child to become more independent e.g. remembering what they need to bring to school each day and small tasks around the home.

### Dates for Your Diary

W/B Monday 13th November:	Anti-Bullying Week
Thursday 16th November:	Early Years Library Visit
Friday 17th November:	Children in Need
Monday 20th November:	Y3/4 Trip to Bempton Cliffs
Thursday 7th December:	Reception Trip to the Pantomime
Friday 8th December:	Christmas Fair
Thursday 14th December:	Early Years Nativity Performance at St. Aidan's
Monday 18th December:	Inspire Afternoon and Gold Ticket Shop
Tuesday 19th December:	Carols to Parents
Wednesday 20th December:	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 21st December	Magic Carpet Theatre Company Performance
Friday 22nd December	Southcoates Has Got Talent
	Christmas Jumper Day
	Last Day of the Term