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<u>Curriculum Newsletter for Parents</u> Year 5 Class teachers – Miss Barnes, Mr Miles, Miss Cottrell

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We have missed you and are so pleased to have the children back in school. During the next four weeks, we will be covering the following areas. If you have any questions then please do get in touch.

Mathematics		English	
 In Maths, the children will be learning about 'Number.' This topic includes each of the following: Number value Place value written addition written subtraction written multiplication written division We will also be focusing on recalling Maths facts (prime numbers, squares) We will revisit fractions, decimals and percentages. Learning these methods, skills and techniques is very important in order for your child to succeed and to fulfil their potential. We would also encourage the children to visit the Mathletics website, and continue to practise their times tables at home. 		 In English, we will be reading 'Dark Sky Park'. This is a poetry collection that reaches deep into the past and wide across the world, burrowing into the earth and the sea to discover the lesser-known creatures in our world. We will also be reading 'The Promise' by Nicola Davies. Children will write explore how a character can change throughout the course of a story. We will be writing setting descriptions of urban cities, and writing narratives based on this text. In punctuation and grammar sessions, children will be recapping on the following areas: Word classes (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs) Modal verbs Relative clauses Brackets and dashes Tenses 	
Computing		Science	
In the coming weeks the children will be learning about E-safety, particularly as they have spent lots of time online in recent months. This encompasses lots of different strategies that the children can employ to keep themselves safe online and out of harm's way.		We will be learning about materials and their properties in science lessons. We will be investigating how materials change, including processes of dissolving, separating mixtures and reversible and irreversible changes.	
P.E	Music		PSHE:
In P.E, our dance lessons will focus on creating group movements and selecting and applying choreography into a routine. Children will also learn netball skills.	Guitar Charanga French Food Singular and plural forms		The children will be looking at how they have developed as people and citizens throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. We will be looking at the effects this has had on people mentally and how people have maintained strong mental health. We will also look at the importance of resilience and a growth mind-set.
Art/DT			
		Geography	
In the following weeks, we will be completing still-life sketches from observation. We will be exploring how artists use tone to create a 3D effect in their artworks, and will be conveying this in our own artworks in the mediums of pencil and charcoal.		This half-term, we are learning about allotments. We will be investigating where our food comes from. We will be learning about land use for farming in the UK, and comparing UK farming with farming in other continents around the world.	